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Burt Coolidge, former city manager.

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City fires manager

LYNN TAYLOR
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Burt Coolidge, a former professor in the School of Business and Management, was removed from office as College Dale city manager last Tuesday, September 2, 2003.

Dr. Coolidge had only been in office for approximately 16 months when the city commission voted 3-2 to remove him from his position.

Mayor Bill Hulsey said that he had no problem with Dr. Coolidge and the job he was doing for the city.

Hulsey said that Dr. Coolidge was an outstanding member of the community, an asset to the city, and was surprised that the other members of the council wanted to remove him from office.

On Tuesday evening, after the vote, Dr. Coolidge was escorted abruptly from the meeting by Gary Will, College Dale chief of police.

Mr. Hulsey stated that it was rather humiliating for Dr. Coolidge to be treated in such a way, as better planning could have prevented such a confrontation.

According to the Chattanooga, a local internet news source, Vice-Mayor Tim Johnson said, "the city manager went over spending limits, causing problems for the city."

Southern students that remember Dr. Coolidge recall that he was an excellent professor. He was easy to listen and talk to and well liked in the School of Business.

Dr. Coolidge said that the city commission has been very divided. The commission started looking for a city manager in 2001. No one suited them until Dr. Coolidge's name was brought to their attention. He met their standard and was hired in March of 2002.

Dr. Coolidge served at the will of the commission, and feels that his dismissal had a lot to do with small town politics. Mr. Ashlock, another gentleman on the commission's committee, declined to comment.

Tim Johnson feels that a lack of partnership between the commissioners and the city manager caused the rift. According to Johnson, it was difficult to get information from Coolidge. Johnson said, "it was his duty to seek, what's best for the city."

Broken promises, broken hearts 2 years after September 11, 2001 - the pain lingers on

KELLY LAUREN RAZZOUK
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

My quiet walk around Ground Zero last Wednesday was brought to an abrupt halt as CNN, NBC, and scores of other media descended upon it, all focused on a woman carrying a sign bearing the words: "Broken Promises, Broken Hearts" alongside her band of demonstrators.

I made my way to the front of the media frenzy surrounding her and nestled myself securely beside a New York Times reporter.

With my tee shirt and jeans I did not exactly blend in to the sea of black trench coats, but I buried my head in my notebook and used the Southern Accent as my cover to get into the press restricted area closest to the demonstrators.

The sign, held by Sally Regenhard, was plastered with photos of her son Christian. Christian served time in the Marine Corp and was working as a fireman the day he died at the World Trade Center.

Regenhard and others who had lost loved ones stood at the gates of the site to protest the building of a new shopping mall and commercial district on what they referred to as "sacred ground."

"Let the bedrock be here for every American to touch," they shouted. "I don't want anyone to stand here 100 years from

now and say: where was that building?" stated Rosemary Cain.

Cain lost her son George in the bombing. She refuses to stand by and watch as a Taco Bell is erected on this site.

The family members feel betrayed by the country that their loved ones died to protect. "Governor Pataki told us they will never build on the footprints of our loved ones," said Cain. "We have been lied to."

Family members have now called on President Bush to intervene, as well as the American public.

Flats have been made for demonstrations on Sept. 10th and 11th. People across the U.S. are expected at the site all wearing the symbolic yellow and black ribbons showing their support.

The demonstrators had planned to walk straight through the gates of the WTC construction site, which would have resulted in their arrest, but the Port Authority prevented them from taking this stand by locking the gates.

The demonstrators, though overcome by emotion, remained peaceful as they pressed their faces up against the gates, staring into the eyes of construction workers on the other side.

"This place was consecrated with the blood of 3,000 people, 1500 people including my son are unaccounted for," said

Regenhard.

The demonstrators seemed to gain strength from one another as they joined hands in a semi-circle. Some cried, but some needed no tears as their eyes alone were windows into the betrayal and pain they felt.

"My son was a Marine, and Marines don't leave their dead behind," stated Regenhard. "We're leaving for today, but we'll be back."

Kelly Razzouk is a Southern student doing a one year internship as SDA liaison to the UN. She writes from Manhattan, NY.



FDNY Firefighter Regenhard killed on September 11
photo courtesy of <http://www.Chattam.Regenhard.com>



Student Park pancake breakfast was sponsored by the Southern Union.



Summer camp youth directors and youth ministries personnel from around the Southern Union were on hand to flip pancakes and scramble eggs for the students interested in a free breakfast Sunday morning.

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And so castles made of sand melt into the sea eventually.

--Jimi Hendrix



Photos by Jacqui Seeley

Lawn concert rocks

KELLY MCAULIFFE
News Editor

As the sun shined down on Southern Adventist University, students spread blankets on the grass and listened to their classmates perform praise songs during Saturday afternoon's lawn concert.

The hour and a half program, which has become an annual event, featured over twenty students performing original compositions and songs by various Christian artists. Many accompanied themselves on the guitar. Others played the violin, and one song even included a banjo.

Among the performers were Diana Ramos, Jasmin Cabrera and Mickey and Elvia Santana who wowed the crowd with powerful vocal performances. Ivan Colon debuted an original number that featured Tim Jester and Danton Ramos on violins and Felicia Ford on the keyboard.

"It was a riot," smiled Stratton

Tingle, sophomore film major. Tingle performed a song entitled "Annabelle," playing both the guitar and harmonica.

Ivan Colon, junior biology major, added, "I always love the chance to perform, and the spiritual atmosphere made that opportunity even better." Students sat on



Jonathan Fetrick of Campus Ministries

the hill facing Talge Hall, eating popcicles provided by Campus Ministries and singing quietly when they heard the words.

"The bugs were annoying, but the music was wonderful," said Joy Grabiner, junior public relations major. "The popcicles were perfect for a warm sunny day."

"I loved the casual atmosphere," said Elisa Ferraro, sophomore international business major. "Since it was outside, you could socialize and enjoy the music."

"The music was a whole was pretty good. It was a great alternative to napping on Sabbath afternoon," concluded Thomas Helmes, freshman graphic design major.

New professor joins CLS

KELLY MCAULIFFE
News Editor

Southern Adventist University has gained a valuable asset in Hollis James, the new Disabilities Coordinator in the Center for Learning Success. James arrived on campus about a month ago and has kept busy working with the rest of the faculty to ensure that students with special needs receive necessary accommodations.

James received his Ph.D. in Special Education at Auburn University, and his work experience includes a stint at Tuskegee University. Most recently, he taught in the School of Education and Psychology at Walla Walla College.

Here at Southern, he helps students with different learning styles and abilities obtain the resources they need to succeed. When a student comes for help, James interviews him or her then discusses the situation with the Accommodations Committee. Once it is decided what action should be taken, the student's teachers are approached, and together they decide how to best accommodate each individual.

James points out that "teachers have the right to decide how to implement" the committee's decision. The Center for Learning Success "in no way seeks to interfere with teachers' standards."

The Center for Learning Success is full of resources to aid those with



Portrait by Marcella Colburn.

special needs. Software that converts text into speech or speech type is available. There is also a device that enlarges type for those with visual disabilities as well as tape recorders for those who have difficulty processing information quickly.

According to James, his job at Southern is "seeking access for student." His goal is to make the University "more comfortable" for everybody who wishes to come to Southern.

For those interested in resources available at the Center for Learning Success, it is located on the second floor of the McCall Library and can be contacted at (423)-238-2838.

Angel in Chains

Joy Grabiner
News Writer

From May 9 through 27, students from Southern's School Visual Art and Design completed the production of "Angel in Chains," a movie that will be released this coming fall.

"Angel in Chains" is the story of Rob Lebeau, the leader of a motorcycle gang who becomes stranded in the desert when the clutch on his cycle breaks. The gang stops at a rancher's house where a nine-year-old girl befriends him and changes his life.

In addition to its intriguing content, the film was a practical choice. "I chose this story because of the theme and because it needed a small cast," David George, the producer of the movie and the assistant dean of the school said.

This movie was made to be a witness to both Christians and non-Christians. Nathan Huber, the director and a senior film major, said, "This movie is definitely a stepping stone."

The fact that the movie is based on a true story makes it even more poignant. "It's a story a lot of people can relate to. It can help people make decisions," commented George.

"Angel in Chains" was filmed in Elgin, Arizona with a crew of about 30 film students, the majority of whom were freshmen. Each student had his or her own role in the film's production. "It's amazing that it's [the film] done totally by students," added Huber.

Involving undergraduates in the production of the film gave them experience only found on the set. "I learned a lot about the problems

beginning to end. 'We all piled in the van with the equipment and drove out to Arizona,' recalled Michael Brown, sophomore film major.

Many difficulties arose during the month they spent filming. Problems started from day one. According to Huber, the lead never showed up on the edge of the find another one at the last minute. However, this was all part of the

opening experience."

Working on this film strengthened the spiritual lives of the crew. Since the movie was on the edge of the entire time, the students had to rely on God for their success. "I saw God's hand," said Brown.

"The process of making a film is like survival. If you're not relying on God to get you, it's really tough," said George.

"Angel in Chains" will be released to video before December. The Pacific Press Publishing Association will be distributing the movie in Adventist Book Concern across the country. Already over a thousand movies have been reserved. For more information, visit <http://www.southern.edu/film/about.htm>

Photo Courtesy of <http://art.southern.edu/film/aboutMovie.html>

recording live sound," said Stratton Tingle, sophomore film major, who was involved in sound editing. He added that it was a great experience just learning to work with other people on the set.

It was a great bonding experience for Southern students from the

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Many books have been written on prayer. One can find books that celebrate prayer groups, focus on the prayers of Biblical patriarchs, explain the prayer of Jabez, or simply strive to strengthen the prayer lives of individuals.

Dr. Philip Saman, a professor in the School of Religion, recently published a book that gives readers a different outlook on prayer. His book, *Christ's Way to Prayer*, is unique, focusing not on our prayers or the prayers of others, but instead on those of Jesus, our divine Brother who joys in interceding for us.

Perhaps a close friend has strengthened your spiritual walk in the past by joining with you in prayer. In assembling together, we gain confidence by the sheer support and presence of others. Now imagine Christ, God's perfect Son, as your prayer partner.

Dr. Saman writes, "If the prayers of faithful friends can make such a huge impact on our lives, how much more can the mighty prayers of Jesus! He is the perfect prayer partner, possessing infinite faith, who constantly and fervently prays for us."

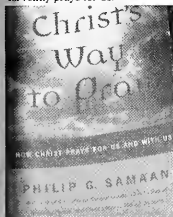


Photo by Mandi Colburn.

For those who are frustrated in their walk with God and seeking a more fulfilling line of communication with Him, this book offers reassurance and encouragement. With Jesus Christ as our prayer partner, we can be confident that He will be overjoyed to take the "trickle of our prayers, mingle them with the mighty flood of His prayers, and present them at the throne of God."

For more information about Dr. Saman's book, *Christ's Way to Prayer*, call (706) 935-8800 or (423) 238-2982.

Vehicle Registration Updated

TIM JESTER
MANAGING EDITOR

Students coming to Southern Adventist University this semester were met with a new vehicle registration system.

In past years, the process for registering one's car and receiving a parking permit required a long and tiring wait in line at the campus safety office.

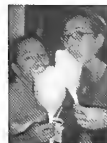
This year, the majority of the process could be completed from computers anywhere on campus. "Because Southern is leaning towards online class registration, campus safety needed to keep up with the change," said Eddie Avant, Director of Campus Safety at Southern.

This time the vehicle registration process had more steps than last year. "It was very inconvenient for the students," said Ryan Knight, a sophomore at Southern.

Primary registration was still in the campus safety office and students had to go back online to acti-

SA Block Party on August 30 Draws Crowd

More than 300 students participated in SAU's annual welcome back party, which was held the first Saturday night after students had returned to school.



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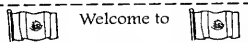
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YG Promotes Peace

RACHEL BOSTIC
QUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Younger Generation's first event of the year has been timed to coincide with the United Nations International Day of Peace on Sept. 19. The Spirit of Peace Concert will be held in Coolidge Park at 8 p.m. Transportation will be provided by the school, sign-up sheets are available at the chaplains office.

General Conference Liaison to the United Nations Kelly Razzouk will be flying down from New York to attend the event.

"This is the second year the UN has observed International Day of Peace," Razzouk said. "Many non-governmental organizations are getting involved, but no Adventist groups were catching on."

Razzouk called Greg Batla, founder of Younger Generation, and

asked him if Southern would be willing to hold a local event. Batla felt that a community International Day of Peace theme could easily be added to an already in-the-works outdoor vespers planned for the same day.

"The initial reason that we planned YG to be in Coolidge Park was so our ministry could reach out to the community. We feel that by corresponding with the International Day of Peace, our impact will be even greater," said Batla.

Ken Rogers, Campus Ministries chaplain, has been very supportive of the International Day of Peace observance. Campus Ministries has provided funding for the rental of Coolidge Park, transportation and other equipment.

vate their stickers after they had received them.

There have also been the typical glitches that are common in a new system.

"It's working as well as expected," said Mindi Walters, office manager for Campus Safety. "But in the future, it will be a great deal easier then having to renew a permit each year."

Starting next year, the new computer system will actually save students a great deal of time. After a student's initial registration, no more trips to the campus safety office (for car registration) will be necessary as long as they are enrolled at Southern.

Everything can be done from a computer. Students can go online and change any vehicle or personal information on their own as well as pay tickets with a credit or debit card.

The lots in front of the residence halls are again okay for students to park in, and there is a new added incentive to park in the correct lots also. Campus safety officers are now using a boot for cars that are found mis-parked and have six or more violations.

In order to have the boot removed you must talk to campus safety. There is a \$45 boot fee and all your outstanding tickets must be cleared before you can have access to your car.

Although this new policy may seem stiffer and the registration price has been increased by \$5 a semester, it is interesting to note that Southern still has more lenient parking regulations and lower registration prices than most other universities in Tennessee.

The University of Tennessee in Knoxville charges \$241 a year for a non-computer pass and \$155 a year for commuter passes. Depending on what type of permit you choose to buy, the University of Tennessee in Chattanooga charges between \$88 and \$240 a year just to park.

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Tiffany Tuell



Tiffany Tuell likes to travel
Portrait by Jacqui Seely

Hello SAU students and faculty!
My name is Tiffany, and I am the new Lifestyles Editor.

I am new here, so most of you probably do not know who I am. I was born and raised in California. I was in the graduating class of 2002. I attended Canadian University College for my first year of university. I transferred to Southern because of their Journalism program. My major is broadcast journalism. Some of my interests include reading, cooking and hanging out with friends. I am a great animal lover too. I also love to travel. One of my dreams is to travel around the world. I like meeting new people, so I hope I will get to know as many of you as I can. I also hope to make the Lifestyles section a very interesting part of the Accent. I hope it can be something that you will enjoy reading, and I am always open to new ideas.

Renie Williams



Renie Williams works at a Mac
Portrait by Jacqui Seely

Renie Williams is a Sophomore Mass Communication Major. She was born in Pennsylvania but has lived in Collegedale for over nine years. Besides writing, she enjoys acting, photography, knitting, backpacking, and hiking. Her career goal is to be a magazine editor.

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

Voyage to India

CYNTHIA NANOY
STAFF WRITER

Now do not get the wrong idea. This is not an article about a mission trip to India. In fact, it has nothing to do with India. Rather it is an account of a much different kind of journey. A journey that excites the soul, stimulates the mind, and enlightens the spirit. Voyage to India, which was released in 2002, is songstress Arie's sophomore album. There was some skepticism as to whether she would be able to match the success of her debut album *Acoustic Soul* released in 2001, but after listening to *Voyage to India*, I would say she has surpassed her previous record and set an even higher standard.

Arie's acoustic guitar accompanied by pounding base lines are part of what make the album such a great buy. The songs, which range from uptempo grooves like "Slow Down" to mellow, relaxing ballads like "The Truth", all contain simple, yet masterfully executed guitar and drum accompaniments. Occasional handclaps and finger-snaps complete the instrumental entourage.

With great instruments, insightful lyrics and soothing vocals, there is no doubt that this was a well thought-out album. Arie expresses her experiences with themes such as love, life, and relationships through the music. Though these are common topics in songwriting, she writes from a fresh standpoint which sheds a whole new light on these

themes. I am sure not many people have thought of them in the way she expresses them. That, and the fact that she writes of simple things that almost everybody knows about makes the listener able to relate to the music. For instance, in "Little Things" she says, "Pure as a kiss on a cheek and a word that everything will be okay/Call in the morning from my little sister singing to me happy birthday."

This song talks of the joy we can find from the little things in life that we sometimes take for granted. Her use of analogy is entertaining. In "Complicated Melody" she sings, "If he were a car, he'd be a long stretch limousine/With room for all of humanity inside/Cause he is so giving/And he is so wise," about a man in her life.

The brilliance of this album cannot be adequately expressed

in words, so I urge all of you to go out and pick up the CD. It will be a journey you will not forget.

The CD can be previewed at mtv.com and <http://www.bhs-music.com>.

How to be great friends with your roommate

RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Sometimes it's hard to share a room with a friend. Different preferences in temperature, music, cleaning and bedtime can all be sources of conflict. But it is possible to be roommates and still have a great friendship, as Junior Elementary Education major Caitlin Cress and Junior English major Angela Palmer demonstrate.

Caitlin and Angie first met during fourth summer session before their freshman year at Southern. Angie "was bouncing down the hall, and I was really intimidated," Caitlin recalls. "I was really reserved and self-conscious at first."

The next year, Angie planned to go to Oakwood and Caitlin was going to room with a different girl in a suite with some friends. "The girl [Caitlin] was rooming with left school," Angie says, and "going to Oakwood." Angie through "Angie moved into the opening in Caitlin's room, and we just kind of stayed," Caitlin says.

One of Angie and Caitlin's biggest differences is their decorating styles. "We both like pretty stuff," Angie says, but "I bring kind of the bare minimum, and when she moves in, seven We-

Hauls have to line up and take multiple trips."

"I bring a lot of bedding, curtains, and posters," Caitlin says.

Rather than being annoyed by Caitlin's plethora of possessions, Angie is amused. "It's actually a fun ritual watching her decorate," she says.

In fact, the roommates say they hardly ever get annoyed with each other. "I think we get along a little too well sometimes," Caitlin says. "We want to play around; we're too sanguine."

"Sometimes I stay out later than she expects and I think she gets mad," Angie says, but Caitlin says, "I don't mind her coming in late. I think the worst thing is when she tells me to wake her up in the morning and then when I wake her up, she refuses to get out of bed."

Caitlin and Angie have found some keys to being great roommates. Caitlin says she thinks God has a lot to do with it. She says that sharing what they've been learning about God has really helped their friendship deepen. "We have a lot of common goals in life," she says.

"Don't blow things out of proportion," Angie advises. "Look for the humor in situations, and appreciate the



Photo by Melissa Pajic
Christy Ketchum

good qualities in each other that can learn from...we respect

other's stuff and privacy, and we take pretty good phone messages. "We share things but respect other person," Caitlin says. Angie for each other, a shared love for and an ability to laugh about life. All helped Caitlin and Angie develop great friendship that has survived straight years of rooming together. Angie is "the perfect roommate," Caitlin says.

Blaster Worm infects Southern's network

RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

A worm known as Blaster infected Southern's computer network in August. "We have tons of people in the dorm who've been infected," Information Systems Network Administrator Daniel Cates said. Although this particular worm does not cause permanent damage to infected computers, it causes a lot of traffic, which slows the network down. Cates said Blaster's goal was to cause a denial of service to Windows Update, the site Microsoft uses to distribute updates to its software.

"For me, [the worm] wasn't that much of a problem,"

Sophomore Physics major Sarah Lilly said. "It just inconvenienced me for a day, and then I got it fixed."

IS required all students with networked computers to install a patch to protect their computer from the worm. This patch was available over a month before the worm hit Southern, and IS had many of its systems patched ahead of time.

Any computer without the patch was vulnerable to the worm, and any computer that was still vulnerable at noon Thursday was disconnected. Students whose connections were turned off had to go to IS to pick up a CD with the

patch and instructions for installing it.

Cates said IS's best guess as to how Blaster got on the network is that a student unknowingly brought an infected computer to school and plugged it in. The worm then scanned the network for vulnerable computers and began spreading itself throughout the network. Since Southern's firewall helps protect networked computers from this type of virus, "we did not get it from the Internet," Cates said. The firewall also kept the worm from spreading to other computers over the Internet.

Ever since the worm first showed up on campus in mid-August, IS has been disconnecting infected computers from the network. As of August 31, 106 connections were turned off. "We don't like turning people's connections off," Cates said. "We only do it when we absolutely have to."

He also noted that most people have been very willing to work with the IS department to protect their computers from the worm.

Students can protect their computers from viruses and worms in the future in several ways. First, anyone running Windows 2000 or Windows XP with Service Pack 3 or a later version has Windows Update, which automatically

checks for new updates such as worm and virus patches. Cates recommends going to Windows Update page about once a week to check for updates. "We also suggest that students antivirus software regularly run their own firewall. Stay on top of Windows Update antivirus updates [isn't] proof," Cates said, "but it certainly won't hurt anything."

Worms differ from viruses in that worms run in memory, while viruses try to hide in files. Unlike viruses, worms don't infect themselves to another program. They are also more identifiable and easier to get rid of, Cates

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RIAA Lawsuits Target P2P File Sharers

COLLEGIATE PRESSWIRE

WASHINGTON—The Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) announced today that its member companies have filed the first wave of what could ultimately be thousands of civil lawsuits against major offenders who have been illegally distributing substantial amounts (averaging more than 1,000 copyrighted music files each) of copyrighted music on peer-to-peer networks.

Over the past year, the RIAA has also worked closely with the university community to combat piracy. In recognition of the seriousness of the problem, colleges across the country are implementing new

restrictions - and issuing severe warnings - to discourage the swapping of pirated music and movies over high-speed campus Internet connections.

The RIAA emphasized that these lawsuits have come only after a multi-year effort to educate the public about the illegality of unauthorized downloading and noted that major music companies have made vast catalogues of music available to dozens of new high-quality, low-cost, legitimate online services.

At the same time, the RIAA announced that the industry is prepared to grant what amounts to amnesty to P2P users who voluntarily identify themselves and pledge to stop illegally sharing music on

the Internet. The RIAA will guarantee not to sue file sharers who have not yet been identified in any RIAA investigations and who provide a signed and notarized affidavit in which they promise to respect recording-company copyrights.

"For those who want to wipe the slate clean and to avoid a potential lawsuit, this is the way to go," said Mitch Bainwol, RIAA Chairman and CEO. "We want to send a strong message that the illegal distribution of copyrighted works has consequences, but if individuals are willing to step forward on their own, we want to go the extra step and extend them this option."

"Nobody likes playing the heavy and having to resort to litigation,"

said RIAA president Cary Sherman. "But when your product is being regularly stolen, there comes a time when you have to take appropriate action. We simply cannot allow online piracy to continue destroying the livelihoods of artists, musicians, songwriters, retailers, and everyone in the music industry."

Since the recording industry stepped up the enforcement phase of its education program, public awareness that it is illegal to make copyrighted music available online for others to download has risen sharply in recent months. According to a recent survey by Peter D. Hart Research Associates, fully 61% of those polled in August admitted they knew such behavior

was against the law - up from 54 percent in July and 37 percent in early June, prior to the announcement.

"We've been telling people for a long time that file sharing of copyrighted music is illegal, that you are not anonymous when you do it, and that engaging in it can have consequences," said Sherman. "And the message is beginning to be heard. More and more P2P users are realizing that there are dozens of legal ways to get music online and they are beginning to migrate to legitimate services. We hope to encourage even the worst offender to change their behavior, and acquire the music they want through legal means."

TONY'S BUSINESS BEAT

Q&A with Castelbuono

TONY CASTELBUONO
STAFF WRITER

Q&A Question: What business advice do you wish you would have had as a college student?



Dr. Cliff Olson
Business Professor
"Learn to manage investments, budgets, and make financial decisions."



Dr. Lisa Diller
History Professor
"Beware of the subversive power of branding, corporations have more influence and power than we know and we contribute to that power by purchasing their products."



Dr. Ron Cloutier
Dean of the School of Religion
"Take a course on basic accounting and learn to read and understand financial sheets and issues."



Mrs. Judy Winters
Nursing Professor
"Money made me anxious. I was afraid I wouldn't have enough money to pay the bills. My advice is to live within your means and learn to have fun without a lot of money."



Dr. Joyce Azevedo
Biology Professor
"Do more research and find more grant money."



Dr. Phil Garver
Dean of the School of PE, Health and Wellness
"Never charge more on your credit card than you can pay off at the end of each month. Never think you are too good to do any kind of work. There is always more than one right way to do anything."



Dr. Gordon Biezt
President of Southern
"I was a theology major when I was in college and I wish I would have taken more business classes and had an education that was more comprehensive. Taking extra classes outside my major would have helped me in the many jobs I have had since graduation."

The Q&A section is dedicated to sharing opinions, thoughts, and comments from a wide variety of students. We want to get feedback from students answering our bi-weekly business related question as well as allow students to ask any business questions they may have and provide accurate responses to each one. We will do our best to answer them either through this section of the Accent or via email. Please email your questions, comments and Q&A responses to: tonysbusinessbeat@yahoo.com

Next week's question: What restaurant in the area do you feel has the highest level of customer service? Why?

Editor's note: This section of the Accent will be published on a bi-weekly basis.



Tony Caslebuono is a senior financial services major, president of the Southern Business Club and creator of Tony's Business Beat. Keep your eyes open for lots of good money advice from Tony as the year goes by.

Life after College

As college students we have encountered or will encounter many new business decisions. These decisions cover a wide array of college-life tasks such as obtaining loans, buying that first car, finding a new (hopefully well-paying) job, choosing insurance companies, managing and being efficient with personal finances, and deciding on a profitable future career.

We are here at Southern to get an education that will help us in the future get a better and higher paying job in the competitive working world. Some of us will continue our higher learning by going to medical school, graduate school, or another form of advanced education; while a lot of us will graduate and life after college will begin. After graduation everyone will be faced with numerous decisions, many of which will relate to business.

In this new section of the Accent we hope to provide a wide variety of business related topics that will help you to have a better understanding of how to manage your money, save and invest for the future, as well as other insights that may help you before and after graduation. Then, when life begins after college, you will be better prepared to face the many challenges and opportunities that lie ahead of you.

Email your answers to next weeks question To:
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Weddings & Engagements

Amber Gibson and Jerome Beldin are pleased to announce their engagement.

Ms. Gibson is the daughter of Ty and Sue Gibson of Malo, Washington. She is a Long-Term Care Administration/Business Administration major. She will be graduating this coming May. She currently works at Linens 'N' Things and Uniforms for You.

Mr. Beldin is the son of James Beldin of Oahu, Hawaii, and Connie Wellman of Dunlap, Tennessee. His major is Computer Information Systems. He will also be graduating this coming May. He currently works for Tennessee Valley Authority.

Their wedding date is set for June 8, 2004.



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Meet the editor

JAN REED
Religion Editor

The adventures of Marco Polo always fascinated me. His three-hundred-year record of his 13th century travels contains fantastic accounts of events and incredible stories of discovery. As a young man of only 17, he embarked on one of the most fascinating journeys ever recorded. His twenty-six years of travel took him through Eastern Europe, the Middle East, Asia, and even to the court of the great emperor Kublai Khan. He lived as the personal emissary of the emperor, witnessed a great battle in which elephants were used to charge the enemy's positions, and died in the late thirteenth century. When he returned home and shared his adventures, however, few believed him.

The Christian journey is much like the 26-year adventure of Marco Polo. There are times when the journey seems long and tiresome just as surely as there are moments from the thrill of adventure and discovery is unsurpassed. There are moments of frustration as others who have never traveled this way before turn away in disbelief, unwilling to believe the experiences being shared. There is, however, inner satisfaction and joy in the firm assurance that the journey is real, the ultimate destination certain, the rewards from above unwavering.

As you face the challenges of your journey, my hope is that what you read in the Religion Section of the Accent will remind you that the challenges are surmountable, encourage you to take another sure step should you falter, and paint a picture of Jesus that is ever inviting. There will be stories of faith and triumph, testimonies of toil and perseverance, and thoughts of encouragement and provision.

This week as we journey, let us ever look out to Jesus.

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT RELIGION

SEAN REED
Religion Editor

"I'm going to be praying for you because you will need it," Pastor Frank Gonzalez said while he stood behind the campus church pulpit last Monday morning as the featured speaker for the fall semester Week of Prayer. As speaker-director for nearly eight years of La Voz de Esperanza, a Spanish language radio ministry of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, he warned the capacity audience that his English skills were not as honed as they had once been. Although Spanish is his first language, Gonzalez has lived in the United States for most of his life.

A Cuban by birth, Gonzalez left his island home at the age of eight. His father, a political prisoner under the Fidel Castro's communist regime, had been imprisoned when Gonzalez was only four. The imprisonment of his father was, according to Gonzalez, the defining event in his early life and had a profound impact on him. "Seeing your father whisked away, it weighs on you," he commented. The only contact Gonzalez had with his father during his early years was through letters. Gonzalez and his father were eventually reunited during his college years after his father was released from prison following a visit by Jesse Jackson with Castro. Gonzalez shared the experience of being reunited with his father to introduce his key concept for the Week of Prayer, "Life in a Look."

During an afternoon visit, Pastor Gonzalez shared how he became speaker-director for La Voz de Esperanza and his philosophy for ministry and life. He began by reiterating a point he made throughout Week of Prayer—God is able to do more than we dare think. And God has done more through the ministry of Pastor Gonzalez than he had ever dared to think. Since graduating from Southern Missionary College (now Southern Adventist University) in 1981, he has spent the majority of his ministry as a pastor, pastoring both Spanish and

English churches. As speaker-director of La Voz de Esperanza since 1995, his radio sermons and public meetings have touched the lives of thousands all over the world.

The radio sermons of Pastor Gonzalez are now helping people to see Jesus on over 700 radio stations, nearly twice as many stations as in 1995 when he assumed his current position. The La Voz de Esperanza Bible school is providing Spanish-speaking people around the globe with study materials that help them better understand the God who created and redeemed them. Pastor Gonzalez was evidently eager and excited to

share about the tremendous growth that La Voz de Esperanza has experienced under his leadership. He also made sure to point out that God is the one responsible for the success.

"There are incredible stories, one miracle after the other," he said before expressing how he regretted not having time to share many of those stories with the students during Week of Prayer.

The goal of Pastor Gonzalez's life became clear when he was asked about his goal for the Week of Prayer.

"My goal," Pastor Gonzalez stated, "is not for the students to do something first, but I want them to see something... [I want] to open windows to them and let them see eternal realities that are powerful and moving." Those eternal reali-



Frank Gonzalez speaks from church pulpit.
Photo by Jaqui Sealey

ties have empowered Pastor Gonzalez throughout his years of ministry and those eternal realities may well empower the lives of those who look through the open windows and see Jesus.

Ministry Expo Launches Campus Outreach

MARIA SAGER
DESTINY DRAMA CO., DIRECTOR

Campus Ministries is sponsoring the first annual Ministry Expo during vespers in the Iles P.E. Center this Friday evening at 8 PM. The evening will consist of a shortened vespers program followed by the Ministries Expo, which will showcase over twenty ministries that students can volunteer for and be involved in. Students will have the opportunity to browse the ministry booths, get an overview of what is happening in regards to ministry at Southern Adventist University this year, and sign up to become personally involved.

Featured ministries will include:

Prayer ministries
Wellness
Clown Ministry
Room in the Inn
Flag Ministry
Cell Groups
Destiny Drama Co.
Another Sabbath School
Advent Home
Afterglow
Nursing Homes
Soup Kitchen
Big Groups
Student Missions
PR Team
Something Else Sabbath School
FAST
Chambliss Home
SICK Ministry
Shut-In Ministry

Small Groups
Needs Based Ministry
Chattanooga Street Ministry
Campus Ministries endeavors to enrich the lives of individuals on campus by becoming accessible to every student and providing opportunities for them to experience spiritual growth in their relationship with Jesus Christ, be empowered to help others in their spiritual journey, and assist the broken, needy and discouraged of our community.

We hope that the Expo will serve as a catalyst for students to join the journey to walk justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God (Micah 6:8).

Come ready to get involved and make your life meaningful during

JONATHAN FETTRICK
STUDENT CONTRIBUTOR

Editor's Note: The Chaplain's Office and Campus Ministries work closely to provide students with spiritual resources and encouragement. Numerous spiritual programs and activities are available to students, as well as services such as confidential counseling, premarital preparation, and Bible study and prayer focus. Many ministries on campus are organized through the Campus Ministries office. The Chaplain's

office and Campus Ministries encourages all students to take advantage of the available services and resources.

Becoming involved in Campus Ministries is easy compared to memorizing a new ID number or asking someone out for a vespers date. Campus Ministries is actually quite user-friendly. Ben Martin and the missions program will make it easy for you to find a place to get lost in. The wellness lady, Leslie Francis, will encourage you to exercise in the hopes of

making sure you are at least healthy enough to donate during blood drives. Campus Ministries even has a chair for the dramatic in Destiny Drama Company. We also facilitate opportunities for you and your friends to get involved and make a difference here on campus.

Getting involved does not mean you will have to stand up and preach or sit down in monastic garb to study the Bible. The opportunities Campus Ministries provides go beyond speaking and

studying. Can you swing a hammer? Can you stand behind someone and smile? Can you hang out with friends? Nearly everyone can say "yes" to these questions and decide to make a difference. Join a group of people to talk about God. Invite your friends to join you. Brighten a child's life by participating in a ministry such as Chambliss Home.

God wants you to make a difference. God wants you in the game. We have been given the opportunity and duty to make an

impact on our generation and generations. Will you choose to make a difference here or around the world? Will you get in the game?

Come by the Campus Ministries office (located in the Student Center) or contact Jonathan Fettrick or Emily Flottmann. Visit the booths at the Ministry Expo this weekend and sign up for a ministry that interests you. We will be happy to help you find a way to get in the game.

Why get involved with Campus Ministries?

Late Breaking News

COURTESY OF CHATTANOOGA.COM

A teen who was waving a gun around at Collegedale was taken into custody Tuesday evening.

At about 6:37 p.m. officers with the Collegedale Police Department and the Hamilton County Sheriffs Office responded to 5079 Industrial Drive after receiving reports about a man waving a handgun at people at that location.

Security officials for Southern Adventist University told police that they had witnessed some of the incident, and at one point the suspect

appeared to put the gun into his mouth when he saw them approaching near him. They knew that the police had been called and were responding, and decided to back off and observe from a safer distance until the police could arrive.

At arrival, officers located and detained a 17-year-old male whom they saw with a handgun. Once the suspect was safely secured, they inspected the weapon and found it to be a BB gun which looked almost identical to a semi-automatic hand-

gun.

The juvenile was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct, and transported to the Juvenile Detention facility on Third street pending his release by authorities there.

There is no force so powerful as an idea whose time has come.

Ernest Dikson

Archaeology Graduate Accepted at Top University

MICHAEL HASEL

PROFESSOR OF RELIGION

Jyll Taylor, who graduated in May 2003 from Southern Adventist University with a B.A. in Archaeology, was accepted into the Ph.D. program in Near Eastern Languages and Civilization at The University of Chicago. Chicago has been a center for ancient Near Eastern studies since it was founded in 1891. Its first president, William Rainey Harper was a professor of Semitic languages. A few years later the prestigious Oriental Institute was established. It is the oldest institution in America of its kind and has educated and provided resources for academics around the world while sponsoring expeditions to Egypt, Jordan, Syria, Iraq, Israel, and Turkey.

"I am thrilled about this prospect. I believe the Lord certainly has opened these doors for me and pray that He will continue to use me there," commented Jyll, who is the second graduate of the archaeology program at Southern and a Southern Scholar. The program's first graduate, Maria Samana is currently completing an

M.A. and has distinguished herself to the extent that she received and accepted an invitation to return to Southern and teach in the School of Religion when her graduate studies are completed. "We are certainly delighted in the ability of our students to compete with the brightest minds on a national and even international level, especially given the fact that we are a very new program. We wish Jyll the best of success in her studies at Chicago," said Dr. Michael Hasel, professor of Near Eastern Studies and Archaeology.

The Near Eastern archaeology program at Southern is beginning its fourth year and is only one of less than a dozen undergraduate programs in North America. The school of Religion offers two majors in Near Eastern and Classical studies, and a minor. There are currently twenty students enrolled. This next summer the second archaeological expedition will take place in Idalion, Cyprus, a Greco-Roman city south of Nicosia. The expedition will focus on excavating several temples and public buildings.



Photos by Jacqui Seely

Left - Ivan Colon and friends perform at Sabbath's lawn concert. Left to Right, Tim Jester, Dannon Rampton, Felicia Ford, Kelly Gauthie, and Ivan Colon. Colon's group, Round 3, will also perform at "Younger Generation".

Below - Of Much Avail playing at the Christian "Club Fathom" in downtown Chattanooga. Left to right, Derek Armitage on guitar, Marcus Post on vocals, Justin Janetzko on bass and Josh Bennett on drums.

Support our SAU Christian bands by coming to "Younger Generation" on Sept. 19 at 8pm in Coolidge Park.

If you would like to write for *Southern Accent*, then feel free. You may not be paid staff, but don't let that discourage you! The *Accent* is the student voice of Southern and we want your voice to be heard. Contributions are always encouraged!!



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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT EDITORIAL

Thumbs Up Thumbs Down

By: Justin Kobylika

Thumbs down to the major inconveniences caused by all of the house meetings in Southern Village. Several students were asked to move out of their apartment just days after moving in, and then moved back in shortly after. Better planning was greatly needed.

Thumbs up to the new variation on the week of prayer schedule. Great idea, classes ran smoother and the students were able to stay awake through the 11:00 meetings.

Thumbs up to new parking rules for Thatcher and Talge halls. Thanks for opening up the Malott Wood Hall parking lot to Talge vehicle overflow. And a big thumbs up for returning the small lots in front of the dorms to dormitory student use.

Thumbs down to students who don't turn off their cell phones during assembly and vespers. I can understand the first cell phone ring, but it should be a reminder to everyone to make sure it doesn't happen to them. There is no excuse for a second ring. Just give God some respect by turning off the rest of the world for a while.

RAZ CATANAMA
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

The Student, The Teacher, And The Institution of Higher Learning
As seen through the eyes of Albert Einstein

A person's words are a gateway to their heart and mind, and also a window unto their character. Listen not only to what they are saying, but also ask why and you will gain a penetrating understanding of who they are. Essentially, it will place their character into clear view for you to understand who they are.

Keeping this in mind, focus on the following words of a man who was not only one of the greatest intellectuals of our time, but also a man with astounding insight on the human condition.

1) "I have no special gifts, I am only passionately curious"

2) "It is in fact nothing short of a miracle that modern methods of teaching have not strangled the holy curiosity of inquiry"

Albert Einstein spoke these words to provide encouragement to those who want to dig deeper, and ask the question why. Asking this question can help understand why Einstein became who he was, and therefore the possibility of the enlightenment that Plato wrote of in his "Allegory of the Cave" well over two millennia ago.

It seems on the surface in the first quote, it seems Einstein was playing the modest genius, but he

was really saying that the source of all knowledge, wisdom and understanding comes from a person's desire to satisfy their insatiable, unaltered curiosity. That is the role of the student: to act on their own passion for learning, set fire to it, and then feed it with fuel it desires. As that old adage goes, "Knowledge is like money: the more you have of it, the more you want of it."

So then what's this about "Strangled" holy curiosity of inquiry? Einstein may be considered as though he was excusing the system of education and its teachers, but if you look at your point of view you will see he was actually saying what teacher and school's role should be. Simply put, an institution of learning should always provide many outlets as possible for the seeker of knowledge to feed his hunger. As for the educational role of a teacher is by far the most important. They are the ones who impart the answers to questions, and also hold the power for sparking in the mind the desire for learning and thus nurturing "the holy curiosity of inquiry."

You have read what he has said, say, you've understood his thoughts and feelings, and you've seen what has made Einstein great, man he became. Now that's left is to take these truths, genius and practice them.

9/11 In Memorial

JUSTIN KOBLYKA
GUEST EDITOR

Talking about the anniversary of 9-11 almost seems wrong. After all I wasn't even there. That day has become one of handful of events that will forever shape the lives of Americans. It changed the course of US foreign policy. Unforgettable. It is the day that America woke up. We were finally forced to admit that this world has reached a boiling point where few terrorists have means to inflict infinite chaos.

In the city where millions of immigrants have found their dreams fulfilled, the attack became the center of an onslaught on more than a nation; it was an attack on humanity. 9-11 was the day America was made to feel vulnerable again.

As America awoke and went to work and as children read the bus to school, civil men were carrying out the largest civilian murder on US

soil. This cannot be forgotten.

If there was any uncertainty before September 11, 2001 about how America would react to its citizens being murdered, all doubt has been wiped away. Terrorists are beginning to realize the incredibly high stakes of the game they are playing when they challenge the greatest free nation on earth.

Since that fateful day in fall 2001, Americans have sent Bin Laden to solitary confinement, likely in a cave, replaced the Taliban with a government that recognizes human rights and destroyed a genocidal regime in Iraq. In short we've been busy bringing justice to the bad guys.

My recipe for peace? America must win the hearts of nations with its generosity. And we must destroy those who will stop at nothing to take innocent lives. After all, this is the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Two years later, the tragedy may

seem further away and the pain may have faded, but let us not forget that there is still a hole in the center of New York City. We owe it to the victims of that day to do everything possible to prevent future attacks.

ANDREW BERMUDEZ
OPINION COLUMNIST

Whether you were counting the days, or dreading the very thought, it's now a fact. Summer vacation is over and classes have begun. I know you didn't need to hear that. You also don't need me to welcome you onto the campus of Southern Adventist University. So to all my fellow returning students, welcome back! Welcome back to the busy

old dorms, to your favorite cafeteria food, to sizzling vespers dates and exciting convocation announcements and to that pesky new ID number. And wouldn't you know, they seemed to find it necessary to make everyone's ID number change over the summer – and on top of that, to make them all six hard-to-recall digits instead of five. Now really, was that necessary?

The Alumni Department says that in its long history, this institution has produced a grand total of 12,864 alumni. I know that the alumni, staff, and student counts are obviously growing much faster now than they were in, say, 1922, but it's really necessary to have ID numbers long enough to accommodate 999,999 people? Many states that don't even have that many people in them! Sorry, I digress... but you remember that from last year.

Above all, welcome back to classes. That's the most important reason for being here. Sure, it's important to spend time with friends, and participating in sports and clubs is rewarding and fun, but that can be done anywhere. We're each paying over \$17,000 to go to

class; let's not forget that. Most last year you had a hard time getting up with homework or projects. There's no better time than now, at the beginning of the year, to set up a schedule to sure you get things accomplished this year.

I've spent all this time welcoming returning students back, but must not neglect to give new Southern welcome to our new low students. Chances are you've known me, since I've met you here, but it will suffice to say I am one of the opinion columnists on this fine paper. I hope I am able to become acquainted with more of you, and wish you the best of luck in this new adventure at college. Don't let this new adventure life overtake you – it takes time one while to adjust.

So to sum it all up, we've been around now for 100 years, we've been around so long you can track the years, welcome to Southern. Let's make this this year.

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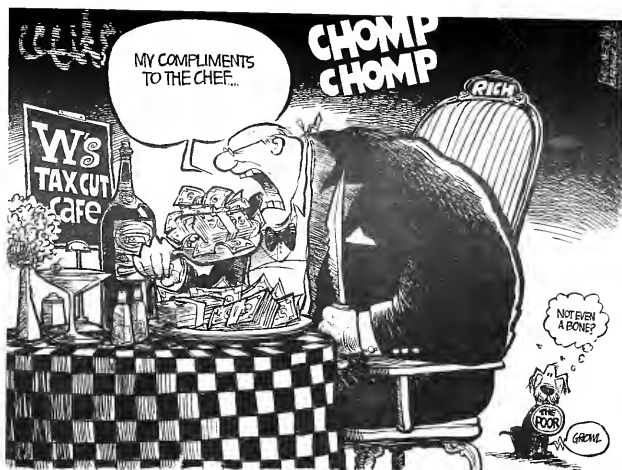
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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT

SPORTS

Gym-Masters Get High (Or God)!!

MARK GUNTHER

I must admit that writing this article reminded me as to exactly why I decided to go back to working out everyday. It's easy to be smug when all your friends look like you, snicker like you and don't exercise much at all. But watching the Gym-Masters' training camp this past week has made me feel outshined and slow and downright sedentary. And it is also thoroughly interested me in the idea of watching them at View Southern, their annual coming out party late this September.

But what is the main reason for me wanting to go and see the Masters of the Mat rip it up on our home floor in 3 weeks? It could be the difficulty of the moves they will be performing. Considering that most of their established veterans have moved on this year, and the squad is quite young and undefined, it will be interesting to see the new routine that the squad will bring to View Southern. It could also be the history of this team coming from humble roots to a place where their skills have now often well earned national acclaim and recognition. You don't get to perform on the floor of Madison Square Garden unless you EARN it and the Gym-Masters certainly have.

So why then will I be at our hallowed Bes Gymnasium to watch this team perform when there are countless other things I could be doing? Simple. I will be going to see a group of people committed and charged with the heavy task of witnessing through positive examples. From the head coach, Rick Schwarz, to each and every member of the team, missions and outreach are the main focus and goal of this organization, which is quite rare to see in sports nowadays and the Gym-Masters take their responsibility very seriously.

I would highly advise YOU to see the Gym-Masters' first performance,

because, historically speaking you'll be seeing the basis of one of the most groups left in the modern post isolationist era. A group of people that through work, sacrifice and dedication become a family. Do most sports teams become that way? Not many sports teams consider their greatest achievements to be the bonds they form between one another and the outreach they do for those

less fortunate, so the Gym-Masters' inclusive, Christ-like attitude is as refreshing. Gym-Masters is also different because unity is key and their unity comes extreme strength, but the difference is they get it through God... And well timed to a light fight.

Bombers Strafe Bulldogs 14 - 4

MARK GUNTHER
STAFF REPORTER

In a Men's Northern Division Softball game Wednesday night, the 24 Bulldogs took on the 1-1 Bombers. But it was the Bombers who took the game well in hand and scored early and often, scoring three runs in the first inning. Until the 4th inning, however, it looked as if the game was still in reach for the Bulldogs. Only down 5-1, the Bulldogs were hit with another long scoring rally, 4 runs being tacked on the board in that inning alone. The sheer fact that the Bombers tacked on 20 hits is enough to tell you that they swung the bat with relentless pressure.

The Bulldogs were hitting poorly, they just didn't hit enough. All told, they picked up 5 hits. But few were for extra bases and they left the bases full when

they did get players on.

Defensively, the Bombers were as dominant, highlighted by stellar plays by Brandon Lasley and John Johnson in the fourth and seventh innings respectively.

Richie Johnson of the Bombers' fantastic game at the plate, going 3-for-4 with a 2-run homer and driving in 4 runs also came within a triple of hitting a cycle.

Lasley went 2-4 with a pair of hits to go along with his stellar catch in outfield. Both Matt Nafie and Chris Chastain had 3-4 outings at the Nafie needing just a home run to hit the cycle. For the Bulldogs, J. Freeland and Jorge Quintana picked a pair of hits but even their finest were not enough to help the Bulldogs victory. 14-4 was the final as the Bombers advance to 2-1 for the season.



Dr. John

ETHAN NIANA
STAFF WRITER

The newest addition to the Physical Education Department is Dr. John Pangman who recently arrived at Southern to assume the position of Intramural Director and professor of a variety of classes including: golf, tennis, officiating, and a professional skills football course.

Dr. Pangman is a graduate of Andrews University where he worked and resided for 21 years prior to his assignment here at Southern. He received his Masters from Western Michigan University while teaching at Battle Creek Academy in Battle Creek, Michigan.

As Andrews University underwent budget cuts, Dr. Pangman

asked God for guidance as to the direction of his career. "I hardly got the graver out of my mouth and (Coach) Rick Schwarz called and told me that if I was interested to come down (to Southern)."

Dr. Pangman plans on making only slight changes in the intramural program this year. "They've had a great system before and I'm adding a sportsmanship rating system to rate the officials and the teams on their sportsmanship."

Quite often when faculty changes are made a person might act as though they are a savior to their department, but Dr. Pangman stated that his goal here at Southern is of a more humble nature. "They (faculty) said some nice things about me so I don't want to let them down."

Are you ready?!

MAURICE MAYNARD

Are You Ready For Some Football?
Load up your fridge, call the guys, and change the channel from MTV because football season is back, and once again it's that time of year when guys lose focus on work, girlfriends, and daily routines to the bathroom. There's almost too much excitement in the air, but why shouldn't there be? The 2003 NFL season not only promises a show season not only promises a show season not only promises a show season but also a lot of fun. Your favorite teams, and allows you to take a justifiable break from your studies to chill with the fellas, and like Lucidaris says, "Act a FOOL!" Ladies, there is something for you

too. You now have a chance to reflect on how your man has been so thoughtful and sweet up until this time, or you could just be the field wearing spandex.

Regardless of how you feel about football, injuries such as the one Michael Vick, starting quarterback of the Atlanta Falcons, suffered to his right fibula, shows you that there is a greater Presence in control even over the most exciting and dominant player in the league. That goes to show that you never know what can happen, just like my predictions. So go ahead and pull out your old throwbacks jerseys, because Miami might just be ready to win another Superbowl, but don't

be so quick to hate on that. Just think about how last year's Superbowl championship coach, John Gruden, said, "Defense creates offense." Miami is stacked with pro brothers such as Jason Taylor, Junior Seau, Zach Thomas, Sammy Knight, and Sam Madison who are hungry for a championship, and know what it takes to win. Their offense is inspired by the "Horse Trailer" himself, Ricky Williams, who won't stop running, not even for the Miami PD. As the season kicks off, I hope everyone gets ready for non-stop excitement, with all types of wild surprises, because this NFL 2003 season will be as Stuart Scott would say, "Cooler than the other side of the pillow!"

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, September 11

- 11 a.m. Convocation - Ray Giunta (Church)
7 p.m. Convocation - Ray Giunta (Church), Another Convocation credit will be given.

SA Senate Elections

Friday, September 12

- 7:52 p.m. Sunset
8 p.m. Vespers - Campus Ministries Expo (Church)

SA Re-Entry Retreat (12-13)

Saturday, September 13

- 9 a.m. Collegedale Church Service (Communion) - Ed Wright
10 a.m. The Third (Communion) - Mike Fulbright (Iles)
10 a.m. "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
10 a.m. "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)
11:30 a.m. Collegedale Church Service (Communion) - Ed Wright
11:40 a.m. The Third Sabbath School (Upstairs Seminar Room at the Church)
7:30 p.m. Evensong (Church), Pat Silver and Reader; Carol Loree
9 p.m. Miniature or SNAG golf (Meet in front of Wright Hall)

Sunday, September 14

- 4 p.m. SIFE Picnic (Student Park)
Latin American Month (15 - Oct. 15)

Monday, September 15

- Last day for 80% tuition refund
PRAXIS Exams (Student Center)

Tuesday, September 16

- 11:45 a.m. Tornado Siren Test
12:1 p.m. Dean's Luncheon (Presidential Banquet Room)
7 p.m. Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)

Wednesday, September 17

- 7 p.m. SA Senate Orientation (White Oak Room)

Thursday, September 18

- 11 a.m. Convocation - Student Association (Iles), Andy Andrews
1 p.m. ACT Exam (Student Center)

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Convocation: If you want to leave your backpacks so they are protected, you may check them at the receptionist's desk in the foyer of the church. An attendant will be on duty throughout the program to watch over your things.

Last day to drop a class and receive 80% of the tuition back is Monday, September 15.

Health Insurance Coverage Brochures: If you have health insurance through SAU and have not received a new brochure for this year, please come by the Risk Management office and get one. It has your temporary insurance card on the back to be used until your card arrives.

ACT Exam: The next ACT date is Thursday, September 18 at 1 p.m. in the Seminar

Room of the Student Center. Call the Counseling & Testing Center at 2782 to sign up. The fee is \$30.

Flag Football Sign-ups: The men and women's Flag Football organizational meeting will be Thursday night, September 25 at 6 p.m. in the Iles P.E. Center lobby classroom. One representative from each team needs to be in attendance. A "Flag Football Team Roster" form needs to be filled out by each captain and ready to submit at the meeting. The forms can be obtained at the Iles P.E. Center bulletin board.

Evensong will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Collegedale Church. Pat Silver will be playing with her brass group and Carol Loree will be the reader.

This Saturday Night meet in front of Wright Hall by 9:00 p.m. for a free night of miniature or SNAG Golf sponsored by the Office of

Student Life & Activities. SNAG Golf falls somewhere between miniature golf and regulation golf-SNAG allows for full shots, pitching, chipping and putting. SAU ID required. Limited transportation will be provided for those who need it. Directions will be available at the front desk of each residence hall on Friday.

Triathlon: The 20th Annual Sunbelt Cohutta Springs Triathlon is scheduled for October 5 at Cohutta Springs in Crandall Georgia. The course consists of a 1.5 mile swim, 18 mile bike ride and 4 mile run. Applications for this event are available in Iles PE Center and in the Student Services office. The cost is \$30 for individuals and \$50 for a relay team if the payment and application are into the Office of Student Life & Activities by Sept. 26. See brochure for other deadline information if this date

is missed. On race day, registration begins at 11 a.m., pre-race instructions will be given at 12:15 p.m., and the Race Begins at 12:30 p.m. For last year's race results, map of course or more information, visit us online at: <http://pe.southern.edu/intramural> and click on Triathlon. Questions? Contact Phil Garver ext. 2850 or Kari Shultz ext. 2484.

CLUBS AND DEPARTMENTS

"A Dollar Matters" Remember those we have lost and help to save lives by giving back to the Chattanooga Community. On September 11, 2003 from 12-3 p.m. on the Promenade give one dollar to your local United Way. A dollar really does matter, let that dollar be yours. For more information on how you can give back to your local community contact Michelle Shufelt in the American Humanities Office at ext. 2762 or meshufelt@southern.edu. Thank you for making a difference.

American Humanities

Welcome Back Party: This Sunday, September 14, from 4-7 p.m. American Humanities will be having a Lu'au to welcome back all AH students and anyone interested in the

program. There will be lots of food and fun. If you are interested in the AH and would like to come to the Lu'au please contact Michelle Shufelt in the American Humanities Office at ext. 2762 or meshufelt@southern.edu.

Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) picnic: On Sunday, September 14, at 4 p.m. there will be a picnic at the Student Park including free food, activities and prizes. Eric Burgains, the Regional SIFE coordinator from Kansas will speak. To sign up, send an email to sife@southern.edu. For more information contact Julie Tillman at ext. 3190 or tillman@southern.edu.

The Annual Student Missions Re-Entry Retreat will be held this weekend at Laurelbrook Wilderness Camp near Dayton, TN. This Retreat is limited to the SMs/TFs who served abroad and here in the States last year. These students should confirm attendance at the Chaplain's Office.

STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The Student Association is proud to present: Andy Andrews, the noted comedian and inspirational speaker, for Convocation on Thursday, September 18. Mark your calendars and be sure to be there.

Senator Elections will take place on Thursday, September 11. Voting times and locations are listed below. Make the choice to hear your voice - vote today.

12 - 12:30 p.m. Collegedale Church
12 - 1:30 p.m. Dining Hall
1:30 - 6:30 p.m. Student Center
6:45 - 8:30 p.m. Collegedale Church
7 - 10 p.m. Dormitories

Pictures from the Welcome Back Block Bash will be available on the SA website later this week.

CAMPUS MINISTRIES

Sabbath Schools:
10:00 a.m. - "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
10:00 a.m. - "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)
11:40 a.m. - The Third Sabbath School (Upstairs Seminar Room at the Church)

Vespers will begin at 8 p.m. on Friday, September 19, at Coolidge Park, downtown Chattanooga. Casual dress is acceptable and credit will be given to those who attend.

Vespers/Ministry Expo: Campus Ministries will be hosting a Ministry Expo on Sept. 12 at 8:00 p.m. Plan now to attend and discover the opportunities available to you this year.

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Meet The Humor Editor

Insightful insights

"In case of fire, save this quote."

by John P...

Identity crisis: the best way to start the year

BY BECKY WHETMORE
ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF HUMOR EDITOR

At the beginning of a new school year, everyone likes to make a fresh start, right? Many people have come up with wonderful resolutions for this year, such as actually putting assignments in that little planner everyone receives. I have my own unique way of beginning this semester: having an identity crisis.

Here's the thing: this is my third year here and people still can't figure out who I am! Even my boss, for whom I have worked for two years, still calls me by another worker's name! How sad is that? However, the main issue has to do with a truly wonderful person: my sister, Christine.**

Ever since I arrived back on campus, I have found that people on this campus think I am my sister. Once last week, three different people thought I was her. Yes, there are similarities between the two of us: we both have red hair,** we have the same last name,** we work at summer camp,** and we both enjoy using asterisks to confuse people! However, there are also distinct

differences: my hair is curly,** is not; I have never shared head, she has;**** I can't eat ice cream, she actually enjoys stuff; and, last but not least, attend SAU, she doesn't.*** Okay, I think we've effectively cleared that up. But, just in case you are still confused, me just say it: I am not my sister. Wow, I really feel better now that I can sleep well tonight, change!

For those of you who were tired, Becky, has actually been sleeping just fine at night, being confused with her sister doesn't, actually bother her. I was just supposed to write a sort of an introduction for her.

* Apologies to a wonderful employer; no actual hard feelings.
** Hey Sis, be proud, I'm mentioning you (and I'm using asterisks)!
*** However, it's not true for either of us.

**** But not the same exact thing. Don't ask!

***** If you just ask me more about that, just ask me, fill you in.

BRYAN STITZER
FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD HUMOR EDITOR

Just a Note from your Friendly Neighborhood Humor Editor: Welcome to another wacky wonderful year at Southern, sports fans. This is your captain speaking: I am Bryan Stitzer and I will be your Humor Editor for the remainder of the year. I, with the help of my lovely assistant deputy director of humor editor Becky Whetmore (see her introduction below), will be demonstrating the safe way to write comedy: I plan to show you the funny this year. (OK give me my proper props for not typing that three times in caps. COME ON! But I can't do it alone.)

WANT YOU to help me. First, if you look at the top of the page, you'll see my name. Underneath is my e-mail address. If you like something and want more, e-mail me; tell me about it. If you hated something, write me; tell me about it. If I just can't please you no matter how hard I try (and I will try ever so hard), it is time to take matters into your own hands. I want you to find me and hit me as hard as you can (after all, how much can you know about yourself if you've never been in a fight?). WAIT! Scratch that, why don't you? Oh, I don't know, maybe write an article of your own? Yeah, that would be much better. OK, so to recap: hitting, bad; writing your own article, good. So sit



Friendly neighborhood humor editor Bryan Stitzer
Photo by Jacqui Seelye
back, relax, and enjoy. See ya in the funny papers!

Friendly Appeal

Are you overwhelmed by the new school year? Do you have trouble in love? Do you want help? Would you like to air out all this dirty laundry on the back of your school newspaper? Then write the Advice Dude! That's right, the Dude is back and he wants to hear your most personal and sticky problems. Just write to bryanstitzer@southern.edu. A personal word from the Dude: No worries, little dudes and duettes, I am once again here to solve all your memosa problems. Oh, and I, as a trained professional sur psycho-babbler, hold your personal info in the most gigantic privacy. It would be bogus of me to share the identity of those that write me.

If you want to read funny, then write funny... Contribute!

Humor page: top ten reasons to contribute

BRYAN STITZER
FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD HUMOR EDITOR

Are you funny? Are you funny looking? Have you seen a funny movie? Then we want you! Write for the humor page! Why write for the humor page, you ask? Let me express why, in a quick, little, and impromptu TOP TEN REASONS:

1. It is more fun than going to the dentist.
2. It is good writing practice (you and I both know you need it).
3. 9 out of 10 platypi recommend it.
4. 7. Some English classes offer extra credit for it.
5. Tyler Durden will hunt you down and take your drivers license if you don't.

6. It looks really pretty on a resume.
7. One day you could grow up to be a famous humor columnist, move to Miami, and write books, and they could make movies out them, and you could get really rich, and buy a house on the beach, and then you could think back to when you were at Southern, and say, "Wow, I owe all this to the silly top ten list in the Accent all those years ago," and then you could hunt me down, find me living under a bridge, and you could show me gratitude by taking me to Taco Bell.
8. It pays five dollars an article.
9. Bacon ... er I mean striples.
10. Because if you do, and work really hard, then at the end of the

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Construction at Talge dormitory

Photo by Kimberly Sebel

Talge addition delayed

DANE TAYLOR
STAFF REPORTER

Southern has had to postpone work on the new Talge addition in order to finish other construction projects that were due for completion in August.

Mary Hamilton, director of leaseholds, said that the construction was stopped temporarily to put all available resources toward finishing Southern Village housing and Hackman Hall.

The new Talge addition broke ground in the spring and excavation started but was halted in order to put more construction crew on Hackman renovations.

The addition excavation has a down side—lack of parking. The pit that was the parking lot next to the east entrance was removed to dig the new foundation.

This has put a strain on parking. Options for more parking vary in cost and time to build, said Hamilton.

The new Talge addition is intended to have about 110 rooms spread over four halls, according to Dwight Magers, dean of men.

"Because of the delay, the expectation is to have two of the four hallways ready for occupancy by 2014," said Magers.

Dean Magers says that the new addition will be somewhat like the Thatcher South format with different halls for different genders. However, according to Hamilton the theory is to change Thatcher South into an all female residence hall and Talge to be an all male resident hall.

Hamilton commented that the demand for married student housing is high and there are single faculty who live in State Side apartments that could benefit from the new Southern Village buildings.

TIM JESTER
MANAGING EDITOR

A prominent College Dale couple was walking along the Wolfcreek Creek Greenway Sunday evening when a dog attacked the women and seriously injured her arm.

Ellen Herman, wife of former College Dale Seventh Day Adventist church associate pastor Jim Herman, was talking on a cell phone to her daughter as she strolled down the Greenway with her husband Jim just ahead. While they were walking, another couple and their rottweiler passed in the opposite direction. The leashed dog suddenly lunged forward and attacked Ellen's arm brutally tearing off large chunks of flesh.

"I never saw the dog until it jumped at me and clamped onto my arm," said Ellen Herman. "They weren't calling it off or say-

ing anything at all. I thought I was finished."

Since Hamilton County Medic station five was only a short distance away, Ellen and her husband began moving that direction as Jim made a call to 911. Medics from station five provided primary treatment. According to the College Dale police report, E.M.S. officials said that the bites were deep and the skin was torn.

Ellen's wounds required further treatment. Dr. Arthur J. vonWerssowetz of Associates in Plastic & Reconstructive



The cage where Aires is kept

Photo by Tim Jester

Surgery in Chattanooga took patches of skin from Ellen's hip and grafted them onto the wounds in her arm.

The dog's owner, Emma Eluphina Baez, of 9367 Caddo Lane, still has possession of the rottweiler named Aires. Since the dog was on a leash at the time of the incident, criminal charges have not been pressed. The owner was not available for picture or comment.

"Dogs like that just don't need to be on the Greenway or in public," said Jim Herman. "This has put fear into everyone on the Greenway."

City commissioner Jim Ashlock said that safety from animals on the Greenway is definitely going to be discussed in the next College Dale city meeting. It is possible that all animals will need to be banned from the Greenway Ashlock said.

Younger Generation performs

RELLY McLAULIFF
NEWS EDITOR

Greg Batla sits on the front row, camera trained on the girl on stage who's pouring her heart into the song she's chosen for her audition. Would-be performers gather near the door waiting their chance to be a part of Younger Generation, the completely student-organized worship program kicking off the year in Coolidge Park this Friday night.

YG is scheduled to begin at 8:00 sharp and will feature twelve performances—both vocal and dramatic. Not all who audition will get the chance to perform, but there's always next time. Batla hopes to hold at least six more on-campus programs over the course of the year.

Batla and his panel of talented judges listen attentively, encouraging performers and critiquing their numbers—quietly comparing

notes, trying to choose who will take the stage at vespers.

"There are so many talented people who are willing to praise God with us that it's difficult to choose," said Rob Gammethaler, auditions manager. "They're all very talented, it'll be hard to narrow it down, added Batla.

There's an easy camaraderie between the YG staff. Some of them have been working together since their days at Ozark Academy. When a small dilemma arises over a pianist who can't hold her own microphone, for obvious reasons, chuckles fill the auditorium as Nick Evenson graciously volunteers to be a human mike stand.

Batla organized YG last year because he felt that "the students of Southern needed a venue to share their musical talents." The positive response to the program was overwhelming. "It's awesome to see the talent here at Southern," enthused Jeff Manly.

But Batla's dreams for YG stretch far



L to R: Shawna Stigge & Jon Meharry

Photo by Kimberly Sebel

beyond Southern Adventist University. "We have plans to take YG on year-long road tour if God opens the door," said Batla. "And my ultimate goal is for YG to turn into a worldwide television network for young adults."

For right now, the YG crew is happy to serve their classmates. "Our goal is to bring Southern students together to praise and worship God," concluded Gammethaler.

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The truth is never sexy,
 so it is not an easy sell.
 - Derek Webb

New teachers join the School of Visual Art and Design

By LESLIE FOSTER
CARTER CONTRIBUTOR

Emmy-award winning filmmaker Erik Swartzwelder and top Disney animator Hendel Butoy have joined Southern's faculty this semester.

Rik Swartzwelder, who is currently promoting his latest short film "The Least of These," is serving as an adjunct instructor in the School of Visual Art and Design. He "brings the perspective of someone who has been working in the [film] industry for several years," commented David George, assistant professor and coordinator of the school's film program.

"It was providential," said Swartzwelder commenting on his coming to Southern. He is eager to help out in the film program. "I'm excited to be teaching young people of faith to tell visual stories."

Swartzwelder has a Master of Fine Arts from the Florida State University Motion Picture Conservatory, which helps the film school meet certain Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) requirements. "Swartzwelder's helping to overlook the curriculum of the [film production classes] and supervise

what's being taught," said Nathan Pizar, office manager for the School of Visual Art and Design.

Swartzwelder serves as a "long-distance teacher," visiting the campus throughout the semester and giving seminar-style classes exposing students to current trends in the entertainment industry. He has lived in both central Florida and Washington D.C.

For the past few years, Swartzwelder is currently in California promoting "The Least of These" and commutes to Southern from there. "It's a neat arrangement," added Pizar.

Also joining the School for a one-year appointment is Hendel Butoy. Butoy has worked as an animator at Disney for 24 years. He was involved in movies such as "The Fox and the Hound" and "The Emperor's New Groove" and directed several movies including "Rescuers: Down Under" and two segments of "Fantasia 2000."

"Butoy is quite a...mainstay in the [animation] industry," commented Pizar. Butoy first heard of Southern about two-and-a-half years ago when he was asked to give several guest lectures. "I felt impressed to take God's lead," said Butoy of his return to Southern this year. "I would like to see stories created [by the School of Visual Art and Design] that have meaning, that give hope. This semester, Butoy is teaching four animation courses. "It's been a real joy



Hendel Butoy is a new animation teacher at Southern.

to have him here and help with the curriculum," said Pizar. Butoy has left the future open to God's lead, but would like to continue serving the School of Visual Art and Design in a supportive role after this year.

Butoy and Swartzwelder bring a rare perspective to the school, that of Christians working in the entertainment industry. "[Swartzwelder] is an encouragement because he stands as a reminder that sticking to your beliefs and succeeding in the entertainment industry can be done," said Stratton Tingle, sophomore Film Production major. "He's a really cool guy, and I'd love to see him back again."

The Accent is in need of dedicated and dependable news writers. If you are interested, please contact Kelly McAliff at 2223

Meet Andy Nash

By KELLY McALIFF
NEWS EDITOR

Andy Nash readily admits that he is "not your typical literary English teacher." With a broad background in journalism, he brings yet another unique approach to Comp 101 and Southern's English Department.

Nash joined the English faculty this year as a part-time instructor, teaching three sections of Freshman Composition. During his off hours, he runs a syndication business, providing content for various newspapers.

When it comes to teaching English, Nash, like many of his colleagues, has an approach all his own. "Everyone does have their own focus," says Nash. "My area of emphasis is style." He explains that clear, tight writing is what he looks for. "If my students hear the word simply again, they'll probably scream," he smiles.

When it comes to good writing, Nash certainly knows what he's talking about. Before coming to Southern, he served as editor of a small publication, The Front Porch. Previous to that he was the assistant editor of the Adventist Review.

Nash is also a published author. In his book Growing Up Adventist: A Fought Look Back at the Church That Taught Me Faith, Love, and



Andy Nash helps Comp 101 students.

Laughter, he reminisces about pollock, ingathering and Sabbath mornings.

Recently, Nash had the opportunity to interview one of his own authors, Garrison Keillor. Keillor's book Lake Wobegon Days has quite an impact on Nash. "I wrote a lot with memoir and the ability to see things through the eyes of a child," says Nash. "Keillor is the modern day Mark Twain."

Though he has several bookshelves on the back burner, Nash is not about to start a major project at the moment. Instead, he spends his time with his wife Cindy and their three daughter: Ally, 6, Morgan, and Summer, 2 months.



Idalion excavations in Cyprus

Dr. MICHAEL HASEL & RICKY LARSON
GUEST CONTRIBUTORS

Mediterranean beaches and no air conditioning, Roman theaters and lasting friendships, these memories will serve a lifetime for a group of nine students and faculty involved in Southern Adventist Universities first excavation on the island of Cyprus which lasted seven weeks from June 22 to August 10.

Dr. Michael Hasel, director of the Institute of Archaeology, organized the Cyprus dig after the war in Iraq caused dig plans in Israel to be cancelled. "Cyprus was a natural choice because of its stable political situation and its close connections with Israel, Egypt, Greece, and ancient Anatolia. It was central in the economic life of the biblical world," explained Hasel.

The dig site of Idalion served as an economic center for the copper trade from the Late Bronze Age (1500 BC) until the Roman period and may have been one of the sites that Paul visited on his first missionary journey through the island (Acts 13:12). The work this summer focused on the industrial and domestic areas of the northern city

where various installations and houses were excavated.

A new temple of the Greco-Roman period that had been located in a previous season was the focus of another area. Students were engaged in each facet of the work, which included early mornings out at the site, pottery washing, processing of artifacts found, and recording.

The field school included lectures on Monday and Wednesday, tours on Friday to other excavation sites throughout Cyprus and pertinent text book reading from the field. "It was hard and grueling work," said Celeste Angell, senior archaeology major, "but it was well worth it. What an incredible experience!"

Southern students made many unique finds. Marcella Colburn, a senior at Southern, was excavating and discovered what looked to be a jar handle sticking up out of the ground. "But as I continued working with my trowel and brush, it looked less and less like a handle. It actually began looking like a nose!" She called her square supervisor, but she was occupied. "So I kept

working and suddenly realized I was excavating a face."

Marcella had discovered a 2,000-year-old warrior figurine lying flat on the surface of a floor. It ended up in the Cyprus Archaeological Museum in Nicosia, the capital of the country.

"That's what makes archaeology so incredible," commented the Papendick, a senior. "It puts quite literally face to face with past in a way that brings it to life. Next year plans are being made for the Institute of Archaeology to support another excavation, either in Cyprus or in Israel. "So much of what we do in the Middle East depends on the political climate. Nevertheless, it is vital for Southern Adventist institutions to continue to contribute to our understanding of biblical history through archaeology. It is a legacy that continues," said Hasel.

Southern currently has majors in archaeology, one in Eastern studies and one in Classical studies. Southern remains the institution in the Southeastern Adventist Church with a bachelor's degree in archaeology.



Rik Swartzwelder commutes to Southern from California.

Photo by Leslie Foster

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

Christy Ketcherside's outdoor adventures Community members adopt Southern students through prayer

RENE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Sophomore Mass Communication major Christy Ketcherside says she tries to go rock climbing about twice a week. "There's no greater feeling than getting to the top of a climb...that you didn't think you'd make," she says.

While climbing is Ketcherside's favorite sport, she also enjoys camping, hiking, backpacking and caving. Ketcherside's best camping experience was when she went to Florida with her friends and camped on the beach for five days. "We ran around barefoot and didn't wash or brush our hair," she says. She and her friends put rice in seashells and ate it with their hands. Another highlight of the trip was seeing some dolphins in the ocean.

Ketcherside also enjoyed camping with her friends at Laurel Falls, Tenn. When she went swimming, there was ice in the water, and "our swim suits froze on the line that

night," she says.

Ketcherside has also had outdoor adventures in Nicaragua and in Spain. She went to Nicaragua on a mission trip and took an eight-hour canoe trip to help build a clinic in the jungle. She spent last school year at Colegio Adventista de Sagunto in Spain. While there, she only went climbing once, and "that was pretty hard," she says. An exciting part of her time in Spain was when she camped out on a cliff overlooking the ocean and got to see the sun rise over the ocean for the first time.

Ketcherside especially likes to camp at Laurel Falls, but "I'll camp anywhere," she says. Her favorite local climbing spot is Foster Falls, Tenn. When it's raining, she goes to Tennessee Bouldering Authority.

Ketcherside says the only equipment she needs for bouldering is shoes and chalk. She advises other climbers to "just have fun. You can't get too down on yourself...You're competing against yourself, not anyone else."

RENE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Collegiate SDA Church's Adopt a Student Through Prayer program gives members of the community the chance to become involved in the lives of Southern students.

Through the Adopt a Student program, volunteers receive the name and photo of a new Southern student. Most people simply keep the student in their prayers throughout the year, but some also send cards and emails to their adopted students and invite them over occasionally.

"It just leaves it open for people to get involved as much or as little as their circumstances allow," said Berna Crosby, who leads the Adopt a Student program.

The current program evolved out of a Secret Families program, which "went well for a while but fell apart," Crosby said.

In previous years, church members sent gifts to their students until around November, when all the adopted students met their Secret Families at a dinner. During the last year of that program, 300 students did not get adopted, Crosby said. She volunteered to email all of those left-over students so that no one would be left out.

Crosby said there were several problems with the former program. A lot of people in the Collegiate area are elderly and on a fixed income, so they can't afford to buy things for college students. Other people may not have adopted students because they were too busy, Crosby said. This way, "a family can do as much or as little as they feel they can," she said.

The new Adopt a Student program, which began last year, focuses on prayer, "something we all need," Crosby pointed out.

Last year all the new students at Southern were adopted. Crosby said if any students are not adopted this year, she and her husband will adopt them, and she will email each of them.

Crosby hopes the program will continue to improve this year. Last year, many students did not respond when they got a note from their adopted families. "They didn't know what was going on," she said. She hopes that when students know about the Adopt a Student program, they will appreciate knowing that someone is praying for them. She also suggests that students who receive cards or emails from the people who adopt them should write or call the people to express their appreciation. When students know that someone is praying for them, "both the family and the student benefit," Crosby said.

Make Wellness a Part of Your Student Life

LESLIE FRANKS
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

The school year has barely started and you already have hard tests, sleepless nights, and feel ready to pull your hair out. Sound familiar? I'm afraid that this is a perfectly normal scenario for a college student. Whether you're a freshman and cafeteria food still wreaks havoc on your system, or a graduate student who could walk the promenade in their sleep, we can all feel overwhelmed at the beginning of the year.

Student wellness is here to help you. The purpose and mission of this program is to increase student wellness and motivate lifestyle changes to create a balanced life: spiritually, socially, environmentally, physically, intellectually, emotionally, vocationally, and financially. Throughout the year we will be running programs and events to encourage wellness in the above mentioned areas.

The first event we have coming up will be a CABL café on Friday evening the 26th. After vespers come up to the dining hall with your friends and join Bob the Tomato and

Larry the Cucumber for some fun social and spiritual interaction. If Veggie Tales isn't enough to get you there maybe the promise of some free snacks will work.

That helps cover the social aspect. As for the other aspects of wellness, try these simple pointers:

disastrous.

Take care of your environment. This could mean picking up a piece of litter on the way to class or dusting your room and opening the window to let in some fresh air and sunshine.

Practice balance in all areas of



A student jogs in the early morning fog.

Photo by Marcela Colman

Exercise at least 30 minutes a day. Not only does it burn calories, exercise can also help clear your mind and decrease stress.

Spend some personal time with Christ every day. Nothing else can calm your heart and put life in perspective than prayer.

Manage your time wisely. Procrastination can sometimes bring forth our most creative ideas but in the long run can prove to be

life. While each of the areas of wellness is important, focusing solely on one or two of them won't make you feel any better.

I look forward to helping each of you in your walk toward wellness this year. Please let me know if you have any ideas or you are willing to help with upcoming wellness events. I can be contacted at Infrancis@southern.edu or by phone at number 3121

Math comes to Club Fathom

TIFFANY TUELL
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Math, formerly known as Earthsuit, will be coming to Club Fathom in Chattanooga Sept. 20. The band started out in New Orleans playing at local coffee houses until Sparrow discovered them in 1999. Kaleidoscope Superior was their first album. Some of the bands hits included on the CD are Whitehouse and Wonder with a variety of other songs on their album as well. The band says that,

"they just still want God to use them in whatever way He sees fit." The band got together by meeting each other at church, through mutual friends, and at a Christian club. When interviewed by Jen Abbas, a writer for a Christian music catalog on what the bands goal was they replied, "We just hope to let God use us in a new and fresh way. We don't know what all that entails. Right now, He's opening up doors for us, and we're

trying to walk through those and write the songs that He's giving us. People are taking it. It's awesome to see God work through the music like that." Earthsuit's music is considered pop, but there are a wide variety of rhythms to it. There are bits of hip-hop, jazz, techno, funk and reggae to give the listener a wide variety of sounds. The group tries to emphasize how God is here with us in our every day lives.

Chattanooga Theatre Centre presents Oklahoma!

MELISSA TURNER
COPY EDITOR

Oklahoma! is said to have been the production that opened the door for American musical theatre with songs such as "Oh, What a Beautiful Mornin'." The "Surry with the Fringe on Top," "People Will Say We're in Love," and "Oklahoma!"

Set in 1900's Oklahoma

Terriory this Rodgers and Hammerstein's musical celebrates the American spirit and the tender romance of the west. Characters "Curly" and "Laurey Williams" lead the musical with a third character, "Jud," adding to the love triangle. Probably one of the best-known lines from the musical, sung by Curly, is: "I've got a beautiful feelin' 'evrythin's goin' my way."

Oklahoma! is being produced at

Chattanooga Theatre Centre where residents can enjoy a Broadway production right here in town for a reasonable price.

Chattanooga Theatre Centre is presenting the musical as part of its 80th year celebration. "To kick off our 80th birthday celebration, we're tackling the greatest musical of all," claims the Chattanooga Theatre Centre's season brochure.

Chattanooga Theatre Centre

opened as "Little Theatre of Chattanooga" in 1923 to offer community theatre in the area. Today the Chattanooga Theatre Centre is located on 400 River Street right next to Coolidge Park and Walnut Street Bridge. Chattanooga Theatre Centre has a full line up of 15 or more productions per year and is run by volunteers dedicated to theatrical arts.

Oklahoma! will be running at

Chattanooga Theatre Centre from Sept. 12 through Oct. 4 on the weekends. Student tickets are priced at \$14.50 per person and can be ordered online at www.theatrecentre.com or by calling the box office at 267-8534. For listings of upcoming theatre productions visit the Chattanooga Theatre Centre website.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT RELIGION

Post Third Sabbath school organizes

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STAFF REPORTER

The Third Encore is a new Sabbath School designed for attendees of The Third, meeting from 11:40 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the third floor seminar room of the Collegiate SDA Church.

We realized that Third attendees were missing out on the



Lesson study at The Third Encore
Photo by Melissa Page

Sabbath School experience," says Jim Jolly, one of the Encore leaders. Daniel Medina, freshman biology major, agrees. "I'm used to going to Sabbath School and I've missed it, going to The Third during Smart Start," he says.

Targeted at students who enjoy The Third's style, Encore will also be contemporary and pertinent to students' lives, according to the leaders. It begins with a short song service, then splits into small groups that encourage people to get acquainted, share "highs and lows" from their week and pray together. "When you walk out, somebody will have known you were there," says Mike Hills, another Encore leader. "You know, a lot of places you go you're just a number."

After re-grouping there's a lesson study, which is usually based on

the adult lesson quarterly; however, sometimes the lesson period is spent discussing the sermon from The Third instead. Studying the lesson ahead of time is not a prerequisite for participation, according to Hills. Anyone is welcome to join in the discussion.

Students appreciate having a chance to voice their opinions and participate in the discussion. "I love it [Encore]," says Mariana Costa, a freshman theology major. "You get fresher out [of church] when you take part in the service, not just listening to a preached sermon."

The Third Encore originated because regular members of The Third missed having a Sabbath School and decided to do something about it. Now Tara and Mike Hills, Betty and Rick Griffin, and Jim Jolly have taken on the

responsibility of leading the Third Encore. "Something about connecting with a small group of people ties the church together," says Mike Fulbright, pastor of The Third. "It creates a small cell within a larger body."

The idea of a Sabbath School for The Third is not new. Several years ago Fulbright started one, but it didn't last long because it lacked teaching support, he says. This time there are five leaders who will work on a rotating basis, so Fulbright doesn't anticipate any difficulty.



Students worship at the new Third Encore sabbath school.
Photo by Melissa Page

Students are encouraged to become involved, volunteering to help lead song service, present a lesson or help in other ways with this new Sabbath School. Ultimately the leaders' vision for Encore is to provide a relaxed atmosphere for spiritual discussion.

Ministry Expo successful

SEAN REED
RELIGION EDITOR

The Ministry Expo, an event showcasing ministry opportunities available to students, was held on the Spalding Elementary School ball field Friday evening following a shortened vespers program.

Ministries such as Kid Center, Clown/Strut. In Ministry, Big Groups and over twenty others were showcased. More students signed up for involvement in ministries at this year's expo than in any previous year, according to Jonathan Fetrick, Creative Ministries director for Campus Ministries.

Ken Rogers, university chaplain, encouraged students to be involved in service and ministry as he

spoke briefly during the vespers program held in the church. He shared how college students involved in ministry impacted his life as a child. Leroux Allen and Fetrick also took the platform and told the audience about the ministries they had been involved in during previous years. "If you think about what ministry is, ministry is communicating Christ," Fetrick said. The audience then walked to the ball field to view the different ministry booths, sign up for involvement, mingle with friends and enjoy the provided refreshments. "I think it's awesome that there are that many opportunities and so many people interested," Dale Southard, a sophomore outdoor education major, commented



Southern students sign up for various Campus Ministries outreach services
Photo by Jacques Selby

after signing up for the Room in the Inn and Advent Home ministries. "That's the kind of things we do," he continued with a smile. "Creative Ministries does things like that as well as many other practical creative ministry activities."

Fetrick used his few moments during vespers to explain what Creative Ministries is about. Creative Ministries seeks to find ways for students to minister to students and also the community in ways that fit the gifts of individual students. "One year we took an entire

house to the Dallas Fetrick said. "That's the kind of things we do," he continued with a smile. "Creative Ministries does things like that as well as many other practical creative ministry activities."



Pastor Mike Fulbright signs up a SAU student to help out in The Third Vespers
Photo by Jacques Selby

boys with

Battlefield churchplant

KELLY WEIMAR
GUEST COLUMNIST

On Sabbath, September 6, the Battlefield Community Seventh-day Adventist Church held its grand opening. The church plant was blessed with an attendance of over 130 people, many of them Southern students.

The church, set in Georgia, was planned by Pastor Daron Reed and a core team in early May. Later on in the year, Southern theology students Nathan Nickel and Jennifer Roth joined the team, and the church was on its way.

In a community, which contains almost a thousand Adventists who have left the church or no longer attend, the Battlefield's main focus is small group ministries to bring them back. Battlefield wants each of its members involved in

a ministry to keep them united and give them fellowship. "If we can keep the people involved, then they will stay in the church, and we can bring others to know God through their ministry," says Nickel. Please pray for the Battlefield Seventh-day Adventist Church as they reach toward that goal.

Editor's Note: Look for a more in-depth article about Southern students' involvement with the Battlefield Community Seventh-day Adventist Church plant in a future edition of the Accent.



The churchplant's temporary sign

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT EDITORIAL

The Calhoun Doctrine

THE TRUTH: NO MORE GAMES

Are you searching for truthful answers and sincere dialogue to life's difficult questions? Would you be interested in participating in a column that does just that? If so, then send your anonymous questions to unlavored@yahoo.com. Get truthful answers to your spiritual, sexual, personal, relationship, physical, emotional, and academic questions. Send your questions and even if they aren't pruned, they will be answered.

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Serious Correction

The story "City free manager" contained two mistakes. Collegedale police chief Gary Will did not escort Dr. Coolidge out of the commission chambers. This was done by Lt. Clint Walker at the request of Vice-Mayor Johnson. Also, the name Bert Coolidge was spelled incorrectly.

Not-so-serious Correction

The Accent wishes to apologize for a grave mistake on the humor page of the September 12 issue. The heading "BACON" appeared at the top of the page and because Southern Adventist University doesn't advocate the use of pork products and, in fact, denounces their use, going so far as to provide a vegetarian substitute at KR's, the cafeteria and even in the Village Market. We are sorry for any discomfort this oversight may have caused.

ANDREW BERNHUEZ
COLUMNIST

The year was 1830; the event, a dinner in honor of Thomas Jefferson's birthday. The attendees included some very high-ranking members of the government of that day. President Andrew Jackson was on hand, along with his vice-president, John C. Calhoun, and members of Congress. The great divisive political issue of the day was whether a state had the right to nullify—essentially, to override—a federal law if it so desired. President Jackson hadn't taken a very clear stand yet, and most of those present, including Vice-President Calhoun, hoped that he would speak out in favor of what they believe was an inalienable states' right. Instead, he turned to Calhoun and proposed a cleverly-stated toast: "To Our Federal Union! It must be preserved!" Calhoun, understanding the President's insinuation that the union was more important than states' rights, made an equally loaded reply: "The Union, next to

our liberties, most dear."

Today, states' rights are essentially a thing of the past, fought over in four bloody years of civil war and eventually swallowed up in a burgeoning federal bureaucracy. Rather, the issue at hand is security—how to protect ourselves from foreign extremists intent on destroying our great nation. That carefully worded warning from John C. Calhoun, which foreshadowed the most destructive war in our nation's history, still relates to the issues with which we are concerned today. Our national security: it must be preserved. But as that great leader of our nation's distant past reminded us, that which should be most dear to us is our liberty. The importance of the union of our fifty states can hardly be overestimated, yet what good would it do if it were not for the liberty it protects? In the

same way, as our nation grapples with the new needs for security that faces us in this age of terrorism, we must not forget that all the security in the world is wasted if, in order to gain it, we must sacrifice those very dear liberties it is meant to protect.

In coming weeks in this column I intend to periodically consider in greater depth some of the difficult issues involving the balance between our nation's need for security and our Constitutional rights of privacy and freedom. I would suggest that you also take some time to think about just where you stand regarding this second edition of the Calhoun Doctrine. "Our national security, next to our liberties, most dear." President Jackson and old Mr. Calhoun would certainly approve.

Ground Zero on Sept. 11

KELLY LAUREN RAZZOOK
GUEST COLUMNIST

New York was grieving today. I saw the face of pain in the man crying on the subway and the woman standing beside me at Ground Zero holding a single red rose. I could see it in their eyes, the memories of that day all coming back to them. The terror as they fled for safety, the anguish over losing loved ones, and the patriotism and love they gave so freely.

New York executives left their Wall Street offices to come to Ground Zero and remember friends and family members. School children took the day off and came to place flowers at the memorial. Dennis Hanry, a New Yorker, stood against the fence surrounding the site, proudly holding an American flag.

The places around Ground Zero where sparse memorials once stood were now overflowing with wreaths, flowers, and cards. Posters decorated by family members described the victims of September 11. "She was an independent spirit," read one. "He made everyone laugh," said another.

There were even signs for those loved ones who were still unaccounted for. A sign written in a child's handwriting read, "Timothy Haskell Squad 18 Fire Fighter please call if you see him."

As the ceremony progressed, children read aloud the names of those who died. Among them were mothers, fathers, brothers and friends. The hopes of many at the ceremony were summed up in the words sung by a children's choir: "Lord, lead us to a place, guide us with your grace, to a place where we'll be safe." At a time when they could have been plunged into deep despair and hatred, New Yorkers looked to each other and to God as their source of comfort.

There are still many unanswered

questions about the attacks but the question everyone asked today was "did you lose somebody?" Some people lost family, friends, or co-workers, but we all lost that day. We lost the opportunity to meet incredible people and we were deprived of their dreams. We have been robbed of their smiles and their laughter.

A few years ago I went to the top of the World Trade Center to see what New York looked like. I saw skyscrapers, taxis and a beautiful river; but today I came to Ground Zero and truly saw New York. I saw the eyes of a people who chose not to be hardened with hate, but rather to open their hearts to the future.

A fitting sign stands at the corner of Ground Zero, bearing the words "The human spirit is not measured by the size of the act, but by the size of the heart." New Yorkers are daily proving to the world that within their hearts lies the courage to rise above the clouds of despair and the determination to soar on the wings of those who dared to dream.



SAU's flag in front of World Trade Center stands at half-mast on Sept. 11, 2003
Photos by Jacqui Sedky

THUMBS UP THUMBS DOWN

By: Justin Kobylka

Thumbs down to the fading lines in dormitory parking lots. This is a really annoying problem. Please fix this.

Thumbs up to campus computer labs that are faithfully open in the evening and provide access to great computers and a conducive study environment.

Thumbs up to departments and professors who go out of their way to make learning hands-on and fun, specifically Biology and Communications. This is what education is really about—teachers inspiring students and releasing them in a learning-rich environment.

Thumbs down to the lengthy disrepair of campus lawns after new electrical cables were installed last spring. It is particularly bad between the girls' dorm parking lot and University Drive. Please clean up after yourself.

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Introducing Gymmasters 2003-04

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The grueling wait is over. Captains and coaches have selected the Gym-Masters of 2003-2004. This was no easy task. Coach Rick Schwarz and Assistant Coach Scott Spicer were looking for skill and commitment.

Many students showed up for tryouts every night. They also had to do a one-and-a-half minute presentation to demonstrate why they should be a part of the team. Some sang, played instruments, performed skits, gave testimonies and even demonstrated their gymnastic abilities.

The process of choosing the team was hard. The team captains, Leslie Francis and Andy Wade, along with Coach Schwarz decided who should be cut. The group began the process at 10:30 p.m. and finished around 1 a.m.

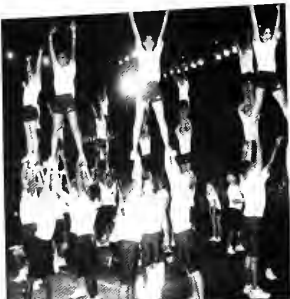
"This year we have a much

younger team packed with skill," said Sandra Higgins, the team's manager. Some of the previous members didn't return because of schedule changes, graduating senior status, or lack of time.

The Gym-Masters team consists of 51 members. The team wants to present the word of God to young people. They also promote education, and deliver a strong anti-drug message.

"The reason we do shows is to provide an opening to the important things, not to do drugs or alcohol," said Nathan Swigart, a four-year team member.

The team plans to attend Acrofest at Southwestern Adventist University in Keene, Texas. A trip to Florida high schools is another possible trip this year.



The 2002-2003 Gymmasters performing while on their mission trip to Cancun over Spring Break

Courtesy of Rick Schwarz

West Side Sluggers flog Flascioma 6-

JEFF LAMBERT
STAFF WRITER

The West Side Sluggers didn't yet another victory on Thursday night as they defeated mysterious named team Flascioma by a score of 6-1. The game started off with a bang in the first inning as Flascioma was able to straddle together some hits to score a run and managed to keep the Sluggers in check. The Sluggers remained inactive until the fifth inning when a single scored by Vance, followed by another RBI single by Mike Campbell to give the sluggers a 2-1 lead. The Sluggers scored another run in the fourth make it 3-1 despite great defensive plays by Nathaniel Reyes and Jerreny Harrison for Flascioma. Then in the fifth inning, the Mat broke out the bats, as both Matt Schiller and Matt Campbell both hit RBI singles to stretch the Sluggers lead to 6-1. Flascioma had one last chance in the bottom of the inning to rally, but they were down 1-2-3 to give the West Side Sluggers the final score of 6-1.

Reece's NFL Picks

MAURICE MAYNARD
STAFF WRITER

It's 12:45 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, and the NFL games are fast approaching, unfortunately, you had a late night. You're still trying to get a few more minutes of sleep, but slowly drag yourself out of bed, unaware of what channel your favorite game comes on, because the local network usually decides at the last minute which game they will air because of better ratings. It is now a little after 1:00 p.m. and you are flipping through the channels, while trying to fix a bowl of cereal half awake. "Than all of a sudden... BOOM! You see the Cincinnati Bengals are beating

Pittsburgh Steelers 35-0, but in reality you are the only one who sees that score, because you are in a confused dream. It's quite clear that this season will be full of surprises; however, there are some games that you can predict better than others. So here are a few of my predictions for Sunday's games.

Let's start with a game a little closer to home, Tennessee vs. New Orleans, which I predict New Orleans will take a confident victory on the Titans' home field. Aaron Brooks will be leading his squad with a new outlook this season to make it further in the playoff race. Next, we will head to the ATL, and continue to hope for success with the Falcons, but high hopes only go so far when it comes to playing Jon Gruden's Tampa Bay Buccaneers, who have started off the season annihilating their opponents. The defense is really just too nasty, and I predict Tampa will be leaving in the bus victorious. Later that night, there will be a big game featuring the Miami Dolphins against the Buffalo Bills. I will comfortably and confidently pick my Dolphins of course, who will have home field advantage, and Ricky Williams will have a fun night running Drew Bledsoe and his rookies out the stadium. That will end a day full of excitement with a little energy left over for Monday night's big game: Oakland Raiders vs. Denver Broncos. Oakland will have a tough time stopping Clinton Portis who has been tearing up the Redskins as of late. Despite that fact, I have to run with the Raiders and Rich Cannon. His passing abilities are so sick that when he is retired and in the hall of fame, they will amputate his arm and auction it on E-bay.

Alright, my predictions have been made. Reece has spoken once again. Just another weekend where I provide food for thought, and drop the knowledge like it's hot. So on that note... IT'S A WRAP!



A canine softball fan

Photo by Rachel Dye



Southern's intramural softball season is off to a good swing. Look for more photos, scores and stories in next week's issue

Photo by Rachel Dye



the campus chatter

Week of: September 18-25

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Calendar of Events

WEEK OF SEPT 18 - SEPT 25

Thursday, September 18

8:50 a.m. - 5:10 p.m. Blood Drive
11:00 a.m. SA Convocation - Andy Andrews (Iles)

Friday, September 19

7:42 p.m. Sunset
8:00 p.m. Outdoor Vespers - Younger Generation (Coolidge Park)

Payday

On-campus group ministry leaders' retreat (19-21)

Saturday, September 20

9:00 a.m. Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
10:00 a.m. The Third - Mike Fulbright (Iles)
10:00 a.m. "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
10:00 a.m. "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)
11:30 a.m. Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
11:40 a.m. The Third Sabbath School (Upstairs Seminar Room at the Church)
7:30 p.m. Evensong (Church)
9:00 p.m. SA Joker Release Party (Iles)

Sunday, September 21

7:30 p.m. Prism Saxophone Quartet - Convocation Credit (Ackerman)

Monday, September 22

3:30 p.m. Academic Affairs

Club/Dept. Student Organization applications due (continuing & returning clubs), Office of Student Life & Activities

Tuesday, September 23

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Book Buy Back (Campus Shop)
7:00 p.m. Joint Worship (Thatcher)

Wednesday, September 24

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Book Buy Back (Campus Shop)

Thursday, September 25

11:00 a.m. Convocation - Departments & Schools (Various Locations)
6:00 p.m. Flag Football Sign-ups (Iles PE Center Lobby Classroom)

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Convocation Credit: For those of you that have had difficulty trying to check your convocation credit online, we are getting a new program, when it is up and ready to use we will let you know.

Blood Drive: Every drop counts, especially yours. Blood Assurance will be here on Thursday, September 18, with their blood mobile to collect donations. Please go to Thatcher or Talge front desks to sign up for an appointment. Appointments will run from 8:50 a.m. till 5:10 p.m. each day. Remember, forty minutes of your time could help save someone's life.

Flag Football Sign-ups: The men and women's Flag Football organizational meeting will be

Thursday night, September 25 at 6:00 p.m. in the Iles PE Center lobby classroom. One representative from each team needs to be in attendance. A "Flag Football Team Roster" form needs to be filled out by each captain and ready to submit at the meeting. The forms can be obtained at the Iles PE Center bulletin board.

Evensong will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Collegedale Church.

Triathlon: The 20th Annual Sunbelt Cohutta Springs Triathlon is scheduled for October 5 at Cohutta Springs in Crandall Georgia. The course consists of a mile swim, 18 mile bike ride and 4 mile run. Applications for this event are available in Iles PE Center and in the Student Services office. The cost is \$30 for individuals and \$50 for a relay team if the payment and application are turned into the Office of Student Life &

Activities by Sept. 26. See brochure for other deadline information if this date is missed. On race day, registration begins at 11 a.m., pre-race instructions will be given at 12:15 p.m., and the race begins at 12:30 p.m. For last year's race results, map of course or more information, visit us online at: <http://pe.southern.edu/intramural> and click on Triathlon.

Questions? Contact Phil Garver ext. 2850 or Karl Shultz ext. 2484.

CLUBS AND DEPARTMENTS

The School of Computing presents a special lecture by Ray Paden, Alum of Southern Adventist University and current IBM Deep Computing Team Member. His lecture is entitled Parallel Storage I/O: Programming, Configuration and Performance Perspectives and is suitable for students and faculty in Computer Science, Mathematics, Physics, Biology, Chemistry as well as technically oriented students in areas like Computer Systems Administration and Computer Information Systems. The lecture is slated for Thursday October 2, at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served. If you are interested in additional information please contact Lezlee Walters at the School of Computing at ext. 2556.

The Psychology Club is beginning its annual food drive for the Samaritan Center this month! Watch for collection boxes, which will be placed in each of the residence halls, and donate a non-perishable item to the needy. Thanks!

Pre-Law Students: There are two upcoming events of great significance. On Friday, Sept. 19, the Law School Forum will be held at the Atlanta Peachtree Marriott Hotel.

This is a major occasion for checking out various law schools. Contact Dr. McArthur (ext. 2744) about car pooling. Second, on Tuesday evening, Sept. 23, an admissions dean from William & Mary Law School will be here in Chattanooga and has invited SAU students to meet with her. This will be held downtown at the Walden Club at 5:00 p.m. These one-on-one encounters can be among the most useful information sessions you will have. RSVP to Dr. McArthur (ext. 2744). Refreshments will be served.

School of Education and Psychology: Attention Sophomores and transfer students.

Interviews for initial admission to the Teacher Education Program are scheduled for Thursday, October 2 from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. and Friday, October 3 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Admission is required prior to taking upper division education classes. Please stop by the main office in Summerour Hall to complete the application process and to sign up for an interview slot ASAP. You will need to bring your professional portfolio to the interview.

STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Joker Release Party: This Saturday Night, get ready for the Student Association Joker Release Party. After much blood, sweat, and tears, the Jokers are here and ready for the much use. It all begins at the gymnasium at 9:00 p.m. Come on out for a great program, your Joker, and chances to win CASH! If you cannot attend the party you may pick up your joker on Monday in the SA office.

Pictures from Welcome Back Block Bash are on the Student Association website at sa.southern.edu.

CAMPUS MINISTRIES

Younger Generation Vespers: Vespers will begin at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, September 19, at Coolidge Park, downtown Chattanooga. Casual dress is acceptable and credit will be given to those who attend. Bring blankets and lawn chairs. Those needing transportation must sign up in the Chaplain's office.

Retreat: The on-campus group ministry leaders' retreat will take place from Friday, Sept. 19 to Sunday, Sept. 21.

Announcements for the Campus chatter need to be sent to Erica Chu by noon, Monday.

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Nilo's Finished

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Students lost a network goldmine when file-sharing guru "Nilo" stepped aside to allow new blood.

Until its discontinuation last week, "Nilospace" housed a useful indexing application that spidered its way through shared files all over Southern's campus, cataloging both the benign and illegal for download.

The creator of Nilospace was indifferent to the questionable uses for which his index had become famous. "I am providing a service," he said, days before disabling its functionality. "That's all I ever wanted to do. I did not intend for it to be used illegally. My intent was for people to be able to search for files. Simple as that."

Nilo's source code for "Nilondex" was unmasked and now available through mp3.nilospace.net to anyone who wants to run their own catalog on Southern's inner file-sanctum. In a one-line email response following the shutdown, the semi-anonymous administrator explained, "The site went down so that other sites will pop up."

Some students, who didn't use any major file-sharing programs like Kazaa, frequented the Nilospace campus index. But more importantly, Nilospace probably frequented them.

Indexing tools that are used to help people find illegal content, easily become the tools used by policing agencies to find those searching for the content. In addition to exposing those computers that contain illegal files, in careless hands, the released "Nilonex" source code could make legally licensed music on a student's computer available for download both on and off campus.

By sharing folders that contain copyrighted content on a network, students could be taking part in illegal activities without even knowing it.

According to the Recording Industry Association of America president Cary Sherman, naïveté to what is going on with your computer does not exempt you of responsibility.

Early this summer, the RIAA foreshadowed imminent and extensive legal action against copyright violators who download music illegally using various peer-to-peer file-sharing networks. With more than 1,600 subpoenas filed, the RIAA has only just begun its quickly escalating battle to educate anyone who thinks

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Student Senate holds first meeting

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NEWS EDITOR

The Student Senate held its first meeting Wednesday, September 17. The newly elected senators gathered to take pictures and to

go over protocol in preparation for the year's duties. More than a few were surprised at the extent of their responsibilities as senators, but they're up for the challenge.

Jessica Landess, Executive Vice President, presided over the meeting.

Parliamentarian Ted Prouty was also present to lay down the ground rules for Senate etiquette.

Landess discussed the accomplishments of last year's Senate and introduced her plans for this school year. Most importantly, she wants to "increase face recognition of the Senate among the student body."

"I'm looking for consistency in Senators' visits and discussion of issues with their constituents," said Landess. "They are filling the gap between the Senate, the Administration, and the student body."

The new senators are anxious to assume their responsibilities. "My goal is to serve my constituents to my very best ability," said community representative Josh Galbraith. When asked about his current goals, he added, "Personally, I would like to see more swimming hours."

"I just want to find out what the girls want and see what we can do about it," said Elisabeth Blackerby, who represents precinct fourteen.

The Senate is designed to bring student concerns to the attention of the administration. If you have any questions about or issues with school policies or activities, please contact your senator or Jessica Landess. They are there to help.



SA Executive Vice President, Jessie Landess, chairs the first senate meeting.

Photo by Jacque Searley

American Humanics rolling in dough

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The American Humanics Program has received \$110,000 to enhance and advance the certification program at Southern Adventist University. The grant money will be used to build and nurture relationships between students and area nonprofit organizations, to provide additional nonprofit training, to offer scholarships for internships with area non-profits, and to recruit and promote the AH program.

"I am very enthusiastic that a leader in the nonprofit sector like the Kellogg Foundation has seen the potential of the American Humanics program at Southern," said Dr. Gordon Bietz, president of the Southern Adventist University. "These monies will enable us to jump start a program that is directly connected to our goals."

A portion of the grant will also be used to install in students the desire to serve our local community. Funds have been set aside for a

mini-grant program, where university groups can apply for money for civic engagement projects when partnered with a local nonprofit agency.

Southern is strongly committed to involving students in civic engagement, so much that a part of its mission statement is to encourage "a life of service."

Groups will complete a one-page application describing their project, and a board comprised of AH students and faculty will review the proposals. A follow-up report will be required from each group receiving funds in order to track impact. The mini-grants are available to any university group involving students in service to the Chattanooga community.

"It is our goal for students at Southern—in partnership with local agencies—to become part of the solution in meeting community needs," said Kathy Souchev, program administrator and recent graduate of AH.

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American Humanics Kathy Souchev displays the money available for grants.

Photo by Jacque Searley

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I picked up the piano when I was three years old.
I was quite strong.

-Elton John

Religion Department makes Hackman home

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STAFF REPORTER

Hackman Hall's renovation reaches a new step as religion faculty prepare to set it into the new offices.

"It's nice to be under one roof," said Dr. Michael Hasel, professor of Near Eastern Studies and Archaeology.

The new religion building opened for classes at the beginning of the school year, and Susan Brown, Administrative Assistant to the Dean, moved in as well. The professors will possibly start moving in from Miller Hall this week, said Helen Durichuk, Associate Vice President for Financial Administration.

Using Plant Services has saved money, according to Hasel. Upon completion, the project will have cost between \$1.75 million and \$2 million, Durichuk said.

Many students like the new Hackman. "It's state-of-the-art," said Michael Teier, sophomore theology/physical education major.

The 20,000-square-foot building has been brought up-to-date, complete with five classrooms (compared to Miller's one classroom and chapel), an elevator, and multimedia devices for teaching. Dr. Ron Clouzet, Dean of the School of Religion, appreciates the space; in Miller "there's just no place for students to hang out," he said.

"Teaching in the new classrooms has been a real pleasure," commented Dr. Douglas Jacobs, associate professor of the School of Religion. He believes the move will bring new enthusiasm to the religion department, and both he and Hasel appreciate Religion's new



SAU students switch classes in the renovated Hackman Hall

Photo by Mattiella Colburn

home in the center of campus.

Hackman formerly housed the Biology and Chemistry departments. The building closed its doors in 1997 because it had to be gutted due to asbestos, according to Durichuk. Construction began last year.

Durichuk hopes outside construction and landscaping will be done by Alumni Weekend for the building dedication on Sabbath, October 25.

Other projects will take longer. The laboratory for the Department of Archaeology is being finished in preparation for the new Institute of Archaeology, which will sport a research library and the Lynn H. Wood Archeological Museum.

"We now have about 250 artifacts from all periods, from the Chalcolithic period all the way down to the Byzantine period, and even the Arab period," said Hasel. "It's about 3,600 years of history."

The museum will feature mostly ceramics, but will also include arrowheads and jasper pin exhibits. The artifacts were donated by Dr. William Dever of the University of Arizona, a big name in archaeology. Clouzet is excited about the new

Evangelistic Resource Center on the other side of Hackman. It will showcase Adventist evangelism through the world through electronic and other resources and offer tools to the community and the Adventist Church that individuals cannot afford on their own said Clouzet.

The museum and the resource center will take at least another year to complete, according to Hasel and Clouzet.

Students produce radio features for worldwide use

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STAFF REPORTER

On September 11-12, students in Southern Adventist University's audio production class attended an instructional workshop on producing features for international radio broadcast. David Barasoain, Training Director for Adventist World Radio (AWR), and Victor Hulbert, English Language Services Director for AWR, presented the workshop.

The students were taught the importance of keeping their projects simple, smooth, and interesting, and of creating programming that is easy for all listeners to understand. Proper editing was highlighted.

Also stressed was the importance of getting students involved in AWR's radio broadcast. This opportunity gives the students experience based in Christian training. "Students must get a vision that radio can be used for God," said Hulbert.

Barasoain and Hulbert flew in from England to teach the workshop. They came to Southern because of its dedicated school of journalism and the good relations that were developed while working with at least six former student missionaries from Southern in their broadcasts over the past few years.

The students who attended the workshop thoroughly enjoyed the practical look at creating a radio feature. "The workshop was really good; not all the technical stuff, just how it's done," said Nick Evenson, junior film production major.

"It was an excellent look at cre-

MELITA PUIC
STAFF REPORTER

The addition of two new houses, Hickory and Redbud, expanded Southern Village this year. Although the plan was to finish by July 1 for the opening of the new academic year, rain and lack of organization pushed the deadline to the first week of October, causing numerous problems in the co-ed dorm of Thatcher South.

The Southern village project of ten houses was first introduced for married students in 1998. The initial plans called for the houses to be built in three phases. The first phase included the four completed houses. The new ones are part of the second phase, which was started in September 2002 and should be finished by the first week of October.

Marty Hamilton, director of leases-holds, blames much of the delay on bad weather. The summer was very wet, and in those conditions not much could be done. It was especially hard to work on the ground level.

Construction workers cited another reason for the delay. One painter suggested that there was a lack of organization. "They need to

bring a feature for radio," added Loren Small, senior film production major.

Students will work on original features that will be aired worldwide on AWR and its affiliates. They will also design special Sabbath-morning programming for WSMC, here in Collegedale.

In addition to visiting Southern, Barasoain has done many workshops all over the world. Recent trips have taken him to India, Singapore, Tanzania, Uganda, the Philippines, and many other countries. Barasoain hopes that his work will plant a seed that will continue to grow in the future.

For more information on AWR and their services, visit its website at: www.awr.org.



Freshman Biology Major, Kase Lloyd looks through the electron microscope.

by Melita Puic

faze their workers," he said explaining how every section workers was waiting on each other a domino effect.

Duane Lippard, a carpenter on site, works nine-hour shifts and been working on this project since the first house was built in Thatcher Village. He blames the weather for the overload of workers at one site.

Because of the delay, students meant to be living in Thatcher Village were placed in Thatcher South, other houses on campus in the case of the men, in hotels.

The men waiting for Hickory were finished stayed in a hotel for three nights. The girls, however, still waiting.

One word that Stacy McDonald, a business administration major, is waiting to move into Redbud, is to describe her feelings these few weeks was "irritated." She moved several times this year.

She is tired of it. "I am a graduate senior and it is a major inconvenience to have to move in the middle of a semester," said McDonald.

Even though Redbud girls are the dorm at the moment, they receive the same privileges that would in Southern Village. They have the same freedoms, curfew and weekend leaves, girls are anxious to move into the new homes once and for all. "The fact that the faculty will do a 'Welcome' help those of us that will have move in October," added McDonald.

Hickman acquires new microscope

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STAFF REPORTER

The addition of a new scanning electron microscope (SEM) greatly benefit Southern Adventist University's Biology Department. Easy-to-use and of great quality, the microscope is so large that it occupies an entire room on Hickman Center's second floor.

Dr. Ann Foster, professor of biology, praises the microscope's sharp performance. "It is phenomenal in the surface detail of cells, insects, plants and materials," she says. "At a magnification of 10,000x you can see the ridges, bumps, every crevice!"

The SEM has the amazing ability to capture the most sensitive invisible object or atom. Black and white photographs posted near the SEM room include pictures that try extremely intricate details of human hair, pollen granules, bull sperm among others.

"This is great for biology," Foster added. "Not just for biology but for chemistry, physics, and other sciences."

Foster teaches Biology 101, a one-hour credit class. Three students are currently taking the class and they benefit from these new

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stealing a CD from a store is any different than downloading one online. The RIAA is educating people all across the country on file sharing with fines reaching \$150,000 per song.

The RIAA is hoping that steep fines will prompt scared downloaders to sign up with their "amnesty" program, where those not already subpoenaed, agree to delete all uncensored files, swearing to refrain from

future sharing of copyrighted material. In return, they receive exemption from legal action unless future evidence of copyright infringement is brought to the RIAA's attention.

"It looks pretty murky," said John Beckett, Associate Professor in the Computing Department. "If I was a non-RIAA artist who was being ripped off, I'd sure be looking for a way to subpoena the RIAA's amnesty list."

The Information Systems website states that the university will comply with any legal subpoenas and release the identity of those "engaged in illegal

file sharing." However, Henry Hicks, Executive Director of Information Systems at Southern, said that the university is "not required to actively seek out copyright violations, citing that 'according to the copyright law, that is the responsibility of the copyright holder.'"

Students will have to see what becomes of the newly available index source code, and then weigh their need for sharing music with their chances of winning an education with the RIAA.

For those who would like to fight the RIAA, check out these webpages

Electronic Frontier Foundation
<http://www.eff.org>

Want To Know If You're On The Hit List?
<http://www.eff.org/PI/P2P/riaasubpoenas>

Want Amnesty?
<http://www.riaa.com/pdf/cleanSlateDesc.pdf>

Want To Know Southern's Policy?
<http://is.southern.edu/?page=218>

Microscope

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classes in one-on-one work with the teacher and SEM. This opportunity gives them a precise knowledge of the various functions, techniques and uses. The class will continue in future years.

The students are fascinated by the magnification power and

stipped of the new equipment.

"It's interesting to look at things that are magnified thousands of times," said Kasey Lloyd, junior biology/secondary education major. "So far, the class is really fun."

The SEM was purchased from Imaque Imaging Inc., a company that immensely supports all aspects of education. It was carefully

stipped to Collegedale from Washington, D.C. Despite its age of 10 years, the microscope is in great condition.

Donations from alumni and other sources made this addition possible for the Biology Department. Southern students and professors will greatly benefit from the new microscope for years to come.

Symphony Orchestra performs first concert

JESSICA RIVERA

Staff Reporter

The Southern Adventist University Symphony Orchestra will perform its first concert of the semester this Sunday at 8:00 p.m. in the Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church. They will perform a diverse set of music, featuring works of Carl Maria von Weber, Joseph Jongen, Samuel Jones, and Dmitri Shostakovich.

"I try and balance the repertoire of the orchestra, so we have representative music of different eras and genres," said Laurie Minner, associate professor in the School of Music and conductor of the SAU Symphony Orchestra.

The upcoming concert includes many notable works. Weber's *Der Freischütz Overture* as well as Jongen's *Symphonie Concertante*, a work that features the combination of organ and orchestra, will be performed. Judy Glass, organ professor, will be playing

with the orchestra.

The evening will come to a close with a performance of the *Symphony No. 9 in E-flat Major* by Shostakovich, a work that he himself called a "merry little piece," adding that "musicians will love to play it, and critics will delight in blasting it."

According to Minner, the *Symphony No. 9* is probably one of the more difficult pieces this orchestra will perform. One reason in particular, she adds, is simply that this ensemble of 65 students has never played together before.

Orchestra members are enthusiastic. Violinist Benjamin Morris, freshman music and psychology major, said he likes orchestra because "they play really challenging pieces."

Minner has two tours planned for the year. The orchestra will be traveling to Florida in November and will also be taking a trip to California in March. Until then, the members can be found rehearsing Monday through Thursday evenings in Mabel Wood Hall.

Missionaries transition

JENNIFER PALE

Staff Reporter

Returning student missionaries gathered at Laurelbrook Lodge on September 12-13 for a re-entry retreat. The retreat is just one of the many opportunities returning SM's are offered in order to remain involved with missions.

The returning student missionaries club planned the weekend as part of a transition process.

"Some returning SM's have problems reentering the [American] culture and returning to school," said Ben Martin, returning SM and student missions club president.

Transitioning from the mission field to home is very important. The student missions club realizes the importance of keeping SM's involved

and has planned many activities for returning SM's, according to Sherrie Norton, student mission's coordinator.

Many activities are designed to help keep the connection, but Martin feels a few new activities will lead to future participation in the SM program. Martin wants to utilize the mission spirit of returning SM's to recruit new missionaries.

Martin has come up with a creative way to reach the largest amount of prospective missionaries. He has encouraged all returning SM's to talk to two current students. Martin's hope is to double outgoing student missionaries. He believes half the work is done if current students can be convinced to check out the student missions program.

"I'm looking for an opportunity to

go serve," said Joyce Kim, prospective SM. Kim is very interested in the student missions program. However, scheduling conflicts may hinder her from serving a full year. Kim will not be deterred. She is currently looking at the option of serving during the summer.

For people like Kim there are still many ways to get involved. The student missions club always needs support. SM's currently serving need the support of fellow students. Being involved can be as simple as sending a note or package to a missionary.

The student missions club strongly encourages participation in campus ministries. There are many needs to be filled right here on Southern's campus. The opportunities are endless.

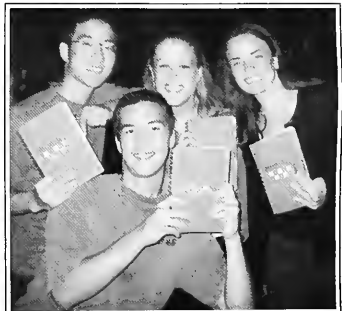
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AH at Southern is part of a national certification program. American Humanities, Inc., works with a network of colleges, universities, and nonprofit agencies to recruit, prepare, and place students in meaningful careers with youth and human service agencies.

Southern joined the rank of the 88 schools and 15 nonprofit agencies that make up American Humanities, Inc. five years ago. The AH program is housed in the School of Journalism and Communications. Students are offered a B.S. in

Nonprofit Administration and Development or a minor in Nonprofit Leadership. Both degrees carry the American Humanities' certification. Southern is currently the only Adventist university to offer the AH program.

Requirements for certification include 180 clock hours of classroom instruction, attendance at one American Humanities Management Institute (AHMI), a professional training conference for AH students, participation in the American Humanities Student Association, and a 300-hour internship in a nonprofit organization.



L. R. Donald Lee, Brandon Yip, Emily Cole, Lauren Duke receive their Jokers at the release party last Saturday night.

Photo by Kimberly Sabel

Psychology Department hits the books

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Staff Reporter

A new club at Southern Adventist University, the Psychology Department's reading session, has been designed to help students expand their horizons. And it is not exclusive to psychology majors; everyone is welcome.

"We want to pull in all aspects of campus [into the reading club]," said Amanda Honish, senior psychology major and president of Psi Chi (the psychology honors society).

The first meeting of the reading club will be Tuesday, September 30, from noon until 1:00 in the Presidential Banquet Room, outside the cafeteria. The club will be discussing chapter seven of Betty Friedan's *The Feminine Mystique*.

The chapter discusses college students in the 1950s and 1960s. The main focus of the chapter is how femininity was pressed on female college students. The discussion will be led by Dr. Lisa Clark-Diller, a professor in the history department.

"The *Feminine Mystique* is 'bemoaning that the emphasis on

sexuality is degrading to women," said Clark-Diller.

"Basically women in college (at that time) were taught how to become housewives. The curriculum for females didn't stress education," said Mary Nikityn, senior psychology major and vice-president of Psi Chi.

If you are interested in learning more about the psychological, social, and/or historical aspects of this topic, feel free to attend. Copies of the selected reading are available via email, and a hard copy of the book is located in the Psychology Resource Room on the second floor of Sumner Hall.

The reading club requests that anyone planning to attend the session please read or skim chapter seven of *The Feminine Mystique*. If you would like a copy of the chapter, e-mailed to you, contact Amanda Honish at ackonish@southern.edu.

The reading club will meet once a month. Many other departments and topics will be incorporated as part of the reading selections. The reading topic for next month will be artificial intelligence.

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Five Iron Frenzy at Club Fathom

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The rumors are true. This is the last year that the band members of Five Iron Frenzy will be performing together. After much praying, the band members have officially announced that they feel God leading them to part. Fortunately for us, Club Fathom in Chattanooga happens to be one of the locations where they will be performing during their current and final tour.

Five Iron Frenzy was formed in the mid 90s in Denver, Colorado. In 1996, the band released its first album, *Upbeats and Bradwells*. Since then it has produced a number of albums. Five Iron Frenzy's final album, entitled *The End is Near*, will not hit the stores until 2004, but is now available online at their concerts. This is the last opportunity to see the band members perform together, so don't miss it! Be at Club Fathom Tuesday, September 20, and enjoy the farewell tour of Five Iron Frenzy as it passes through Chattanooga.

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

Meet Dr. Bob Moore

RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Mathematics Professor Bob Moore is fascinated by geometric patterns. They are all over the office, from the Native American weaving against the back wall to the honeycomb on the window sill. The honeycomb and the jar of honey beside it came from one of Moore's beehives.

"Since childhood, I had a little bit of interest in bees," Moore said. When he saw a beekeeping school advertised at the mall, he decided to start keeping bees. "Some people keep bees for honey," he said. "I keep them because they're interesting." In fact, he doesn't eat honey because it has developed an allergy to it.

Bees are "absolutely fascinating," Moore said. He is especially interested in the lifecycle of the bees, bee behavior, the division of labor in the hive, the ways bees

keepers can get the bees to do certain things, and "the resistance of the bees to cooperate at times."

"There's even a wonderful sequence of numbers called the Fibonacci Sequence that you can get by looking at bee genealogy," Moore said.

Moore said he gets stung fairly often. "I don't mind getting stung; it's part of the hobby," he said. He swells up when he gets stung, so he wears protective clothing. When he gets stung, he pulls his clothing away from his skin, and the poison doesn't affect him as much.

"Honeybees are bred for various characteristics, including gentleness," he said. "If you maintain your hive well, they don't tend to sting."

To maintain his beehive, Moore said he makes sure the bees have enough room for the

queen to lay eggs in the spring, treats them with antibiotics and other things for disease prevention and mite control, makes sure the queen is "laying well," replaces the queen once every year or two, makes sure the bees have enough honey stores to survive the winter and extracts the honey about once a year.

Moore's love for geometric patterns carries into his teaching. "I just love geometry," he said. "I like hand-drawn things; I like visual things."

Moore liked math as a child and enjoyed doing tutoring when he was in high school, "so I thought maybe I would be a math teacher," he said. He majored in math but planned to go to medical school. When he got a temporary teaching job at Fletcher Academy, he enjoyed it so much that he decided to continue teaching.



Dr. Moore displays part of his hobby.
Photo by Jeff

The Perky Piranha

Discover Geocaching

RACHEL BOSTIC
GOLF COMMENTATOR

If you've ever wanted to find a hidden treasure, you're not alone. In fact, there is an entire counter-culture of treasure-hunters who are finding treasures where most people wouldn't even think to look. This treasure hunt is known as geocaching.

Since May of 2000, when the first cache was placed, more than 65,000 active caches have been placed in more than 100 countries. There are even caches here in Collegeville.

A cache is usually a small container hidden somewhere indoors or outside, with coordinates to its location posted on www.geocaching.com. Hunters put the coordinates into global positioning system units and head off in search of the treasure. Some caches are considered "virtual," meaning the finder must answer some questions about the area around the coordinates. Most caches are small Tupperware containers containing a logbook and assorted knick-knacks like McDonald's toys, collectibles, and other odds and ends. Geocachers may take things from the caches, but are asked to leave something behind as well. Occasionally, valuables or even money wind up in geocaches.

"I've found Sagawaga and Susan B. Anthony dollar coins, as well as foreign coins and foreign paper money," said Jeanne Norskov, a geocacher from

Fayetteville, Tenn. Norskov and her husband have found more than 56 caches. They plan to set up a cache of their own soon.

Some of the caches are easy to find without a GPS unit. The names of some of the caches can give them away—like The Duck Pond, for example. However, most geocachers prefer to use a GPS unit because satellites help them find their location within six to 20 feet.

GPS units can range anywhere from \$100 to \$1000. They can be found at almost any camping or outdoor gear supply store. Discounts on units or accessories are available at www.geocaching.com's partner www.fidooute.com.

For more information about geocaching, visit www.geocaching.com.

RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

The average student borrowing money for school accumulates \$18,900 in undergraduate debt, according to Nellie Mae Corporation. The lending institution's 2002 National Student Loan Survey revealed debt levels "significantly higher than the debt levels reported in the 1997 NASLS," which showed an average undergraduate debt of \$11,400.

According to Mark Grundy, direc-

JOEL HEROD
GOLF COMMENTATOR

So, you are wondering where to go on a Saturday night. You have been to Clumpies at least fifteen times, and Rembrandt is old news. You are craving that mocha latte or double dip of ice cream in a waffle cone, but are dying to get out of a rut and go somewhere new. Your worries are over, the answer is The Perky Piranha Café. Even the name is fun.

The Perky Piranha, which is located directly across from the IMAX in downtown Chattanooga, is a small café that serves both coffee and ice cream. The signs above the entrance is attention-grabbing

itself: a blue cartoon piranha holding a mug of steaming coffee. Once inside, the atmosphere is cool and inviting. Decorated in blues and accented with primary colors and dark wood, the feeling of the café is young and fresh. Two waitresses stand behind the counter read with pleasant welcomes. Ample seating is provided with small tables in an easy-flowing arrangement.

But the choices are what make this café the place to go. It is the coffee that puts the perk in the Perky Piranha, but the Haagen Dazs Ice Cream must not be forgotten. The Cappuccino Chip ice cream is an excellent choice for

anyone who cannot get between something hot and fine chocolate or something cool and sweet. There is also a selection of smoothies. And, since sales recommended the Dolphin, which is a smoothie with a shot of lime, those in search of solid food are bagels, muffins, pastries, and other edibles to choose from. A quick coffee stop while in town or a fun way to spend an evening, The Perky Piranha has something for you.

The Perky Piranha
200 Chestnut Street
Chattanooga, TN 37403
(423) 265-2922

Undergraduate debt rises

tor of student finance and enrollment services, the average Southern student taking out loans last year borrowed about \$3,800. Over 800 Southern students have student loans, but "we have far more students that work than that pay loans," Grundy said. "I would say the great majority of students that take loans also work."

Nicole Brock, a sophomore fine art and graphic design major, is borrowing money to give herself more time to do her schoolwork. She started out the school year with a job at

the Village Market, but she quit after a few weeks. "I was stressed," she said. "It was hard getting my mind to switch from school to work," especially since most of her classes are creative.

Brock said that while she misses having spending money, quitting her job will be "worth it in the end." Not having a job gives her more time to work on her portfolio so she can have a better chance of getting a good job after college. "If you can't get a job later, what's the point of having a job now?" she pointed out.

On the opposite end of the spectrum, Michael Teter, a sociology and physical education major, is not taking out any loans at the end of my college career. "I would like the satisfaction of knowing I'm not in debt to anyone," he said.

Rather than borrow money works about 25-40 hours a week makes me steady at weird hours the night or early in the morning.

He usually spends his Sunday studying.

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Relieve your stress

CYNTHIA NANOY
STAFF WRITER

I can't stand it, she thinks. I just cannot stand the confinement... the walls are closing in on me. I'd not find somewhere to go this afternoon, I think I will die. I do not want to spend another afternoon holed up in these four walls. Why did I have to come to a college where nothing goes? I have spent three weeks here already and the most exciting thing I've done since then is brush my teeth. I mean, what is there to do around here? Then she notices the Southern Accent that she had picked up on her way up to her room. As if by impulse, she takes it and begins to turn the pages. Maybe she can drown out her sorrows by reading. She turns to the Lifestyles section where she is soon engrossed in an article about rock climbing... Jim Quick, an employee at Extreme Outdoors sporting goods who is also a graduate of Southern, was eager to help when I called him up out of the blue and asked for information about their wall climbing services.

The Five Points wall, which is a service provided by Extreme Outdoors, was constructed two years ago with the purpose of generating interest in climbing and building a

climbing community. Hence, they hold special events to entertain people around the community. Around Halloween time, they have different cartoon characters such as Batman and Spider-Man do things on the wall as entertainment for the children; in November they also have the Southern 500, which is a climbing competition. These are just a couple of the things Extreme Outdoors is doing to give back to the community. The wall itself is 50 ft. high with climbing difficulties ranging from 5.2, which is a fairly simple climb, to 5.12 and above. There is something for everyone. For those who have never climbed before and are interested in learning how, they provide instruction on weekends. They have 13,659 month and 1 year passes that cost \$25,\$55,\$108,\$162 and \$215 respectively. If, on the other hand, you just want to go and climb, it costs \$6 with a student ID card and \$8 without one. The cost is higher or lower depending on whether or not you bring your own climbing equipment. On the 15th of every month, College Day, students climb for \$4 with their student IDs.

Five Points is located in downtown Cleveland on 185 Innman St. next to the Five Points Museum

Center. For more information call 423-728-4810 or visit their website at www.wildernessthing.com

"Hm," she says to herself, "maybe there is hope for me yet!"

SHAVON VAQUEZ
STAFF WRITER

My friends and I were sitting in the gazebo and I was looking into the distance when I saw a guy waving at me. Now, this would've been the point where anyone else in this situation would've have turned to the other people sitting with them and said, "Uh, do you know this person?", but that need to meet someone new kicked in and instead of turning to ask, I waved back and called out, "Hi! How are you?" The guy gave me a funny look but replied, "Fine, and you?" So I replied and this continued for about a minute or so more until we both said goodbye and he continued walking. I turned around cheerfully, having met my quota of meeting very old new person a day. My friend David, who was sitting beside me, said, "Do you know

Have you been to a restaurant in the area that you want everyone else to know about? Write a review and send it to Lifestyles section editor Tiffany Tuell.

Lamentations of a friendly freshman

him?" I shrugged and said, "Well, no, but he waved at me." As soon as I finished the statement, David and my other friend Jennifer, who also was sitting in the gazebo, but directly across from me, started laughing...hard. So I sat there wondering what exactly I missed because I personally found nothing amusing in the statement.

Well, after they contained themselves and wiped away their tears, David said, "Shavon, that's my roommate." The realization that I had just embarrassed myself horribly came quickly there after. The guy was really waving at David who was sitting beside me, but in my big rush to make the quota, I didn't bother to look around or ask questions. So in closing, I'd like to give a few pointers as to how to avoid this situation.

1. If you see someone that isn't familiar to you waving or saying

"hi" in your general direction, look around to make sure it's really you they're trying to communicate with before making the next move.

2. If you skip suggestion one, and do wave back only to discover the greeting wasn't meant for you, don't panic! Just look directly passed the person at someone behind them and pretend like you were waving at that person.

3. If all else fails, just smile and pretend you knew that the person wasn't waving at you but you meant to say hi to them anyway.

If you are reading this and thinking "I really never find myself in those kinds of situations" then remember this anyway, because one day you may be waving at someone and someone you really don't know may wave back. It's probably me, so please...don't point and laugh!

TONY'S BUSINESS BEAT

Q&A

You Ask It, We Print It...Now Read All About It!

TONY CASTELBUONO
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Question: What restaurant in the area do you feel has the highest level of customer service? Why?

"I think that the Imperial Garden by Best Buy has great customer service. The atmosphere is almost like an oasis of tranquility amidst the madness of the shopping district, and the staff treat you like royalty. I generally don't like Asian food at all, but at Imperial Garden it's quite good. It's a great place for dates because the staff is so helpful and courteous, and the atmosphere is perfect," responded Ben Cruz, Senior, Business Administration major.

"Most restaurants' main focus is to get food to the table and then move on to the next set of customers. This common trend made an experience I had last weekend at Smoke Bone's BBQ almost shocking. One of my friend's orders was not cooked how he had requested it. The plate was sent back and I wondered if this was

going to turn out to be just another half-hour waste of time. No more than five minutes after the request had been registered; a manager was at our table wanting to know what was wrong. His attitude and willingness to fix the problem at any cost impressed me. He said, 'I want to know what I can do so when you leave here, you have a smile on your face.' This should be a business creed, but most places around here forget that their success hinges on their customer's satisfaction. The manager supplemented my friend's order with another entrée at no cost and didn't charge for the mess-up. Needless to say, we left beaming," responded Thomas Wentworth, Sophomore, film production major.

"Kanpai of Tokyo has great food, friendly servers, and it is very affordable; plus they have entertaining cooks with knives flying in various directions as they cook," responded Shaun Everett, Junior, Marketing major.

"Tony's Pasta has great cus-

tomers service. I went there in February on a date and all the tables were taken inside, but they brought us out onto their veranda and we ate there. They turned on their heat lamps and tried their best to make things warm and comfortable. The food was really good and the service was exceptional! They did such an incredible job in making our outside experience feel like we were inside by a cozy warm fire. I left Tony's Pasta with the feeling that I want to go back," responded Rachel Vence, Junior, Major-Psychology.

"That Smile is a very friendly, observant and accommodating restaurant. When you go back after you've been there before, they remember you. And the food is wonderful," responded Mrs. Mary Lou Sugar, Director of Destiny

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Next Week's Question: How could Southern save money?

Please email your questions, comments and Q&A responses to: tonysbusinessbeat@yahoo.com

Customer Service Reflections on Q&A

TONY CASTELBUONO
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Customer service is what business is all about. It is about serving the consumer in such a way that they cannot wait to go back. It is need, going beyond their expectations, making each customer feel special, and providing the assurance that they will be taken care of at all costs.

No matter what your major or what area of life you are endeavoring to go into, you will be faced with decisions involving customer service. Whether somebody you are a pastor having to appease a disgruntled church member, a doctor opening a new clinic and trying to attract customers, or an elementary teacher talking with your students'

parents at teacher/parent conferences; you will have the opportunity to provide customer service to each individual that you come in contact with.

By reading the various quotes in this week's Q&A we can see that quality customer service is very critical in maintaining a happy relationship between a business and its customers. When great service is provided, customers will come back. It is a simple formula that is not always remembered. Everyone will deal with customer service in one way or another; so by putting the consumer's best interest in mind at all costs, the local consumer will become a commo customer, and then the commo customer will become a loyal customer.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2003

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT RELIGION

Steve Arrington to speak at vespers

SEAN REED
RELIGION EDITOR

Steve Arrington, former chief diver for The Coastate Society and previously a Navy frogman, will be speaking this Friday evening at 8:00 for vespers in the campus church. His powerful story and anti-drug presentations have impacted the lives of thousands all across the nation.

Following his honorable discharge from the Navy, Arrington unwittingly became involved in drug trafficking. He co-piloted a plane to a Colombian jungle hide-out and returned to the United States with over a quarter ton of cocaine. After driving a car with 60 pounds of cocaine from Florida to California, Arrington was arrested and named a co-defendant in the now famous John Z. DeLoe drug trial. He pled guilty and received a five-year prison sentence.

While in prison, Arrington determined to do good and help others. He became an inmate friend and also began writing a book warning young people about the dangers of drugs. Two years after his release from prison, Arrington was hired to be the chief diver for The Coastate Society by Jean-Michel Cousteau.

Arrington left The Coastate Society in 1993 to devote himself to presenting anti-drug and motiva-

tional presentations. He has received numerous awards and is the author of a number of books, including *Journey into Darkness* and the *High on Adventure* series. His vespers presentation will prove a blessing, encouragement, and inspiration to all who attend.



Steve Arrington

Photo Courtesy

Note: All religion majors are required to attend the Ministerial Candidacy Recognition at 7:30 in the Thatcher chapel for vespers this Friday evening. Sabbath morning services at 8:30 and 11:00 in Thatcher are also required for religion majors. Jack Blanco will be the featured speaker.

Bench Mark Christianity

JONATHAN FETTER
CONTRIBUTOR

I was sitting on the sidelines of one of the most physical basketball games I had ever played. I was the big guy on our team. Unfortunately, I was the same size as the little guy on the opposing team. I tried jumping a few times during the game and could almost reach as high as their court's nose.

I sat enjoying the bench because I had just gotten three fouls, all in five minutes. My team was getting smothered on the court and I was out. But the bench was nice. There is something glorious about being a bench warmer on a Christian team. The bench was comfortable (kind of), and I could let the other guys play the game.

But then my coach turned to me and said, "Get in the game." I heard out, "No." "I wish my coach would have responded, 'Okay, sit there.' or, 'But you're the best we have.' But instead, he calmly stated, 'You are big.' I was thinking, 'Sure coach, but have you seen the other team?' My coach continued by saying, "And you are our big guy. Get in there for the other play-

ers, and get in there for me."

No one else is there for you. You are valuable to God because you are you. Do you think it is time you stepped off the sidelines and got in the game? Is it time to get in the game for your coach and your friends?

We live in a generation built on friendship. My favorite TV shows in high school were about friendship (*Friends* and *Seinfeld*). Studies say we are most influenced by our friends. Because of this, our perspective at Campus Ministries is to empower you to minister to your friends and to minister with your friends.

Our vision for Campus Ministries is simple: Christ, communication, and community. The purpose of ministry is simply to communicate Christ. We have also noticed that ministry usually happens in a perspective of community.

We want to empower you to do ministry, to get in the game, and to communicate Christ.

Want to get in the game? Stop by the Campus Ministries office (located in the Student Center) to discover a ministry opportunity that fits you.

CORY HERTHEL WITH SEAN REED

My aunt and I were sitting in the very last row. I was there merely because I needed something to divert me from thinking about the devastation and confusion I was experiencing. A lady talked about health before the feature presentation and, although I was not really listening, I heard some of what she said. She spoke of a disease that was incurable yet very treatable with medicine and natural remedies. The topic for our discussion tonight, she finally said, "is Crohn's disease." As she said those words, I realized that God was speaking to my heart. God was real. He was in my life, and He was calling me.

My story begins fourteen years before that night. On June 24, 1983, I came into this world at the Community Hospital East in Indianapolis, Indiana. At the age of ten, I began smoking behind my parents' back. When I was twelve, I began drinking with some other friends, and soon I was smoking up to three packs of cigarettes a day and binge drinking on weekends. To say the least, I was headed down a path to destruction. God had for me, however, a different destination.

My uncle noticed my destructive behavior when I was twelve and he began having frequent talks with me—often against my will. He told me that I was a natural born healer and yet Jesus loved me and died for me. Even when I was in my darkest hour, Jesus wanted me just as I was. There was no need for me to try to work my way into His grace and salvation. These ideas were different from what I

had been taught all my life.

I started reading my Bible and sporadically attending a Seventh-day Adventist Church with my uncle. The answers to many of my questions were answered in the pages of Scripture, and I saw Jesus Christ as my personal savior and friend. I was learning to love and trust Him. Then something devastating happened.

My mother, who I was and am very close to, had a massive stroke that caused her to be completely paralyzed on her right side. The doctor said that the paralysis was permanent and my mother would be confined to a wheelchair for the rest of her life. This devastated me, and I turned to God with questions. I also prayed earnestly for my mother without ceasing. And God worked a miracle. Somehow, inexplicably, my mother regained full strength and feeling on her right side in just a few hours. I was very happy and praised the Lord for what He had done.

Two weeks later, my mother became deathly ill. For most of her life she had suffered with Crohn's disease. The disease had now flared up so badly that without immediate surgical attention, she would most certainly die. Again I turned to God and cried out for His intervention. I also wondered about my own walk with Christ. "Please show me a sign, tell me whether what I am doing is right—I need you!" I cried out to God. During this time my uncle invited me to attend some meetings at the Adventist church entitled: "Net '96." I reluctantly went, seeking something to divert my mind from the devastation and confusion I was experiencing.

And so I found myself sitting in



Cory and Christal Herthel

the very last row talking to my aunt as a lady talked about health. God used her simple words regarding Crohn's disease to speak to me. This was the sign from God that I had asked Him for. God answered my prayer, a prayer that I had prayed for myself. My life changed. In a few days I completely quit smoking and drinking. I now knew that God was real. I was in my life, and He had called me.

My mother had the operation she needed and today has no symptoms of the disease. God performed an operation on my heart, and today I have life eternal. I made the decision to be baptized, and at the age of 15, I joined God's church through baptism. The following year God impressed upon my heart that He wanted me to study for the ministry. The very next year, at the age of 17, I met my wife Christal on a blind date. God has worked, and is still working, in my life. Since I made the decision to follow Jesus Christ, my life has changed dramatically. Now my prayer is that when people look at me they will see the love of Jesus and decide to follow Him. I trust Him with their lives.

God is Bigger Than Knowledge

HEIGH TOMPKINS
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

I crave knowledge. I am often not satisfied with what I know. I want to know more.

And school knowledge is not my big quest. Like most students, what I really want to know is what to do with my life. I thoroughly analyze many things in an attempt to understand myself, others, and the world around me. Sometimes I come away from searching frustrated and with no answers.

Last week, a class discussion in "Classics of Western Thought" last week gave me a new way of seeing this knowledge quest. The Greeks thought knowledge was good and ignorance bad, with no persons for evil as Christians believe. We have integrated this idea into our society. Education, we say, does wonderful things for people. Yet, as we pointed out in class, education cannot save

a person; only Christ can do that.

As Christians influenced by all these theories, sometimes we mistakenly make knowledge and truth a god instead of trusting the living God with the blind faith He asks of us. After all, we want to know God's will for our lives. So we search and pray. Sometimes we feel that our prayers bounce off the ceiling. Yet God has not abandoned us.

He promises, "If any of you lack wisdom, he should ask of God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him. But when he asks, he must believe and not doubt" (James 1:5-6).

His promise about the truth is also deeper than we usually hear: "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free" (John 8:31, 32).

Our part in the meantime is to

believe, to ask, and to hold to His teaching: faith. Then He will give us the wisdom and truth we need.

But we cannot stress forever. We seem to have no answer. The Bible also says, "The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our children forever" (Deuteronomy 29:29).

This is a struggle for us to accept as a Christian. I have the idea that God needs to answer all my questions, preferably right away. But maybe there are questions that do not need to be answered. Maybe sometimes our questions overreach what I am able to understand.

The omniscient God knows this and I can trust that He handles my future with love and will reveal to me by what I need to know. It is a great joy to realize that my God is better than knowledge.

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT RELIGION

What is Jesus doing today? World Church Grows

SEAN REED
RELIGION EDITOR

Have you ever wondered what the president of the United States really does? We see him on television giving speeches and dropping his pet dog, but what does he do when the television cameras are turned off and the crowds are no longer watching?

Have you ever wondered what the commander of the universe really does? We have a picture painted of Jesus in the Bible; we know Jesus came to earth and died for our sins. What does Jesus do when the clairvoyant visions of the prophets cease and the pen of inspiration is stilled? Have you ever wondered about that?

A careful study of both the Old and New Testaments shows that Jesus is currently cleansing the

heavenly sanctuary of the record of sin—your sins, my sins, the sins of millions throughout all the ages. This important process, described in Leviticus, Daniel, and Hebrews, is often the focus of discussion and study in the Adventist church. In fact, the current Sabbath school quarterly investigates this topic. Jesus is doing more, however, than cleaning the heavenly sanctuary. He is cleaning the earthly sanctuaries—you and me (II Corinthians 6:16; Hebrews 10:22).

Paul tells us that Christ is today cleaning our consciences from works of death and sin so that we can serve God (Hebrews 9:14). After again describing the ministry of Jesus, Paul ends the next chapter with these words: "Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from

a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water" (Hebrews 10:22 NIV). Cleansing you and me from a guilty conscience—that is what Jesus is doing today.

Jesus does not want to merely forgive us and wipe clean our records in heaven. He wants us to forgive ourselves and to allow Him to heal the wounds of past mistakes. He does this by assuring us of His ever-abiding love, picking us up when we fall, and giving us the strength and courage to tread onward.

What is Jesus doing today? Jesus is helping you and me triumph over the past. He is helping us to forgive ourselves so that we can experience fully the forgiveness of God. This is what your Savior and Friend is doing today.

FRANK WALDSCHMIDT
CHURCHES OF ASBY

Church planting in Europe—a society largely viewed as "post-Christian"—is taking a leap forward, participants in the recent

"Euro-Seeds 2" church planting conference said. The September 10 to 14 event drew more than 200 people from Seventh-day

Adventist Church regions in Germany, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Austria, Hungary and other European countries. They participated in the second European meeting focused on church planting, or establishing a new congregation. The conference, which is a follow-up to an initial session in 2001, was designed to help both beginners and church planting veterans.

The energy level, optimism and commitment for the gospel mission is unparalleled," said Roo Gladden, director of church planting for the Northwest Pacific region of the church in the United States, and a guest speaker at the event. "These are people who grew up in a climate where evangelism is impossible, yet they're saying 'with God we're going to do it.'"

The event featured workshops on

topics including "The Adventist Church for the Post-modern Era" and "Evangelism in a Newly Established Church," presented by Gladden and Peter Roennfeldt from England, as well as Dr. Edgar Machel, from the Friedensau Adventist University.

Special highlights were case studies of successful church planting projects: Café Seed in Helsinki; Cornelius in Oslo; and a project for non-attending children and their families in Wroclaw, Great Britain.

Reports of the newly arisen church planting movement in Hungary and the first Adventist Community Center in the Czech Republic have also been impressive.

In his lecture about establishing large Adventist churches, Roo Gladden challenged his hearers by asking, "Will the Adventist Church become a shaping and leading religious institution in the respective communities?"

Gladden said, "There's a lot of church planting that's beginning to happen" in the region, and reported that presidents of the two church areas in Germany, as well as local church district leaders, are committed to church planting in the coming year.



A group of Southern students enjoy the praise music.

Photo by Jacque Serles



Praise band singers perform

Photo by Jacque



Chattanooga resident, Gene Rounsaville, enjoys the program

Photo by Jacque Serles

Performers, students and community enjoy Younger Generation in Coolidge Park

Church Schedule

For September 27, 2003

Compiled by Sean Reed

CHURCH	TIME	SPEAKER	TITLES
Hamilton Community	11:30 AM	Mark Bresce	Courage to Face Life's Lions
Collegedale Church	9:00 and 11:30 AM	Ed Wright	not available
The Third	10:00 AM	Mike Fulbright	not available
McDonald Road Church	8:50 and 11:25 AM	Kent Cretcher	Breathless*
Golfview Church	8:55 and 11:25 AM	Jose Nieves	not available

* Denotes Communion Sabbath

To have your church included in the weekly church schedule, e-mail: seanreed@southern.edu

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Is Bonds the best in baseball?

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As Barry Bonds' career begins to wind down, the following question surfaces: Where does he stand in comparison to the greatest baseball players of all time? The game has changed over many generations, and Barry is playing in what is called the "bitters" era. Players are hitting the ball much more often than ever before, and having 50 home runs a season is the norm for MLB's best hitters.

At age 39, Bonds still stands head and shoulders above the best sluggers of today. Strictly by the numbers, he is the best player right now, and for the past few years has always been in the top five. Some of Bonds' accomplishments include: a slugging percentage over .700 for three seasons, 370 with 46 HR, 110 RBIs, and 198 walks (a record), and his team made it to the World Series last same year. Bonds has won 5 league MVP awards and is the top candidate to win it again this year. He has also amassed 654 home runs as I am writing this, and I predict that by next month he will reach his Godfather Willie Mays at 660.

Assuming he has a few years left in his career and he maintains

his current level of performance, he will easily catch Babe Ruth and Hank Aaron (715). If that happens Bonds will be considered arguably the greatest competitor to ever play, regardless of what is thought about his personality as a star athlete. When reminiscing about some of the greatest baseball players who ever played, names such as Ty Cobb, Joe DiMaggio, Willie Mays, Stan Musial, Babe Ruth, Ted Williams, and Hank Aaron come to mind. Bonds' name belongs on that short list, somewhere near the top.



Team prepares for game.

Photo by Rachel Day



Southern Student is a hit at Softball Intramurals.

Photo by Rachel Day

There's something fishy at Iles

JUELLE JAMES
STAFF WRITER

In the past five years, Southern's intramural swim team has broken records and surprised many students around campus. However, this year, it seems that the students who have an interest in swimming are not willing to sacrifice their time and effort to be the new Michael Phelps or Amanda Beardi of Southern.

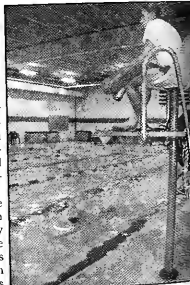
"I like swimming but not enough to join a team," said freshman nursing major Heather Clifford. "There are other sports that I enjoy more."

Bob Benge, a professor of Health and Wellness at Southern, feels that the lack of interest in swimming is due in part to no training time. "People won't put themselves out for show if they haven't practiced," said Benge. "Many people like to swim for pleasure but not to compete."

In previous years, signs were posted in and around the Iles Physical Education center during September and October inviting students to sign up for the swim team. The group of applicants would then be divided into two teams of approximately fifteen swimmers.

The number of people that have signed up to be on team this year has greatly decreased. To revive the team, Benge has turned his Water Safety Instruction class into a team for this school year. He will then send "head hunters" to scout out people that are interested in joining a team.

Sign up sheets will be posted around the gym next week. If you



Ginger Krentz watches Rick Christman swim.

Photo by Juelles James

are interested in swimming on team at Southern, please contact Bob Benge in the PE department.

Reece's NFL wrap

MAURICE MAYNARD
STAFF WRITER

It's Week Four, and there has already been so much action that we need to stop and talk about "Who's Hot," and "Who's Not." Two quarterbacks fall perfectly into these categories: Patrick Ramsey, of the Washington Redskins, and Donovan McNabb of the Philadelphia Eagles. Ramsey has hushed many D.C. fans and NFL analysts alike. There was a good deal of negative conversation at the beginning of the season about the Redskins' quarterbacks and their improved offense with the addition of explosive wide receivers in the off season (especially with the expensive trade acquiring Laveranues Coles), but many critics strongly believe the "Skins are vulnerable because they don't have a solid passing game and no one is going to step up in their offense. Not only has Ramsey stepped up, but he is putting up unbelievable stats like he might have hooked up with the loyal and very beautiful Redskins fan, Ashanti. The guy has just been on fire, throwing for 185 yards against the New York Jets

Week One, and for 356 yards in Week Two. It's safe to say that he is not a fluke, and very much the real deal.

Shockingly, Donovan McNabb has not been as effective for the Philadelphia Eagles. Obviously, the brand new stadium that the Eagles now have did not inspire or motivate McNabb to start the regular season on a good note. The Eagles are 0-2 at home, and McNabb has been struggling to pull off a victory. In Week One he threw for a measly 148 yards, against the tough Tampa Bay Buccaneers defense, and in Week Two he threw 186 yards and two interceptions vs. the New England Patriots.

It has been a rough start for him, but if he can chop off that crazy afro and replace it with a decent haircut, he can show the impatient fans that he is still the guy he used to be. What's so different and exciting about this league, is that players can change overnight. So don't count out anyone or anything.

MARK GUNTHER
STAFF WRITER - SPORTS

The number one rule in team sports is: Make sure that all of the registered members on your team arrive for a game. Preferably, ON TIME! That said, the Talge Hall RA's softball team did not follow this important axiom and lost a tough game on Wednesday night, 15-2, after the game was called on the three inning mercy rule. The Men's Southern Division leading Big Red Machine lived up to their moniker, pounding unmercifully on the undermanned Talge Hall team. With only seven players until the second inning, the Talge Hall RA's were down 6-2 and looked to be finding their groove. But an 8-

run shelling came in the bottom of the third inning iced the victory for the Big Red Machine.

Later, the Talge Hall RA's brought nine hits to the score sheet, but none were for extra bases, and with their emaciated lineup they couldn't effectively push runners across the plate. The Big Red, however, had 19 hits in just three innings of work, effectively hitting the gaps in the RA's outfield. Efficient and timely base running, along with strong sacrificing moves from their batters, allowed for the majority of the Big Red's hitters to drive in runs. No one player had to shine for the Big Red Machine for domination to occur; it was truly a team effort.

Defensively, neither team made glaring errors, but Talge Hall's stretched defense made it far too easy for the Big Red to hit gaps in the field for easy hits and advances.

In the end, it still came down to the simple axiom that being on the softball field is a prime example of this rule. The Talge Hall RA's learned this lesson all too well as they dropped to 0-6 on the season, losing 15-2 to the Big Red Machine, with the game being called after the third inning.

SAU

the campus chatter

Week of: September 25 - October 1

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Calendar of Events

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

11:00 a.m. Convocation - Departments & Schools (Various Locations)
6:00 p.m. Flag football sign-ups (Iles lobby classroom)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

7:45 a.m. SA Senate Donut Day (Promenade)
7:50 a.m. Ministerial Candidacy Recognition - Jack Blanco (Thatcher)
7:52 p.m. Sunset
8:00 p.m. Vespers - Steve Arrington (Church)
9:30 p.m. Afterglow - Reflections Café (Dining Hall)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

9:00 a.m. Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
9:30 a.m. Ministerial Candidacy Recognition - Jack Blanco (Thatcher)
10:00 a.m. The Third - Mike Fulbright (Iles)
10:50 a.m. "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
10:50 a.m. "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)
11:00 a.m. Ministerial Candidacy Recognition - Jack Blanco (Thatcher)
11:30 a.m. Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
11:40 a.m. The Third Sabbath School (Upstairs Senior Room at the Church)
2:00 p.m. FLAG Camp (Taylor Circle)
7:30 p.m. Evensong (Church)
8:30 p.m. All Night Softball (Ballfields)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

8:00 p.m. Orchestra/Organ Concert - Double Convocation Credit (Church)

ViewSouthern (28-29)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

4:00 p.m. University Assembly
7:30 p.m. Bebo Norman Concert - Convocation Credit (Church)

Last day for 60% tuition refund

New Club/Dept. Student Organization applications due (Office of Student Life & Activities)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

12:00 p.m. Psi Chi Meeting - Presidential Banquet Room
7:00 p.m. Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1

7:00 p.m. SA Senate (White Oak Room)

Application deadline for PRAXIS Exam

Begin ordering December Graduation Announcements (Campus Shop)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2

11:00 a.m. Convocation - Latin American Heritage
6:00 p.m. Club/Dept. Student Organization President's Orientation (Presidential Banquet Room)

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Triathlon: The 20th Annual Sunbelt Cohutta Springs Triathlon is scheduled for October 5, at Cohutta Springs in Crandall Georgia. The course consists of a mile swim, 18 mile bike ride, and 4 mile run. Applications for this event are available to Iles P.E. Center and in the Student Services office. The cost is \$30 for individuals and \$50 for a relay team if the payment and application are turned into the Office of Student Life & Activities by Sept. 26. Late

Registration is \$40/individual and \$60 for relay team until Oct. 3. Race day prices are \$45/individual and \$65 relay team. On race day, registration begins at 11 a.m., pre-race instructions will be given at 12:15 p.m., and the Race Begins at 12:30 p.m. For last year's race results, a map of the course or more information, visit us online at: <http://pe.southern.edu/intramural> and click on Triathlon. Questions? Contact Phil Garver ext. 2850 or Karl Shultz ext. 2484.

Triathlon Volunteers Needed: The Cohutta Springs Triathlon hosted by Southern Adventist University on October 5, 2003, needs student volunteers to

work the meet. There will be T-shirts for all the volunteers and lots of good eats out there too. Please call Karl Shultz ext. 2484 to volunteer.

Flag Football Sign-ups: The men and women's Flag Football organizational meeting will be Thursday night, September 25, at 6 p.m. in the Iles P.E. Center lobby classroom. One representative from each team needs to be in from each team. A "Flag Football Team Roster" form needs to be filled out by each captain and ready to submit at the meeting. The forms can be obtained at the Iles P.E. Center bulletin board.

Evensong will begin at 7:30

p.m. in the Collegedale Church. Carol Davidson will be the organizer.

Pastor Frank Gonzales' Week of Prayer audio tapes are now available through the McKee Library Media Office. A set of 4 tapes cost \$10.00 which includes tax. That is \$3.11 less than usual cost. Since no recording of Friday night's program is available, the first and second Sabbath services are included to complete both sides of the fourth tape. Pay with cash, check, or credit card. Call 238-2727 for more info.

ViewSouthern 2003: SAU will once again play host to Academy Seniors on September 28-30 as they join us for campus viewing, Career Connections, and lots of Southern hospitality. Monday evening, September 29, the ViewSouthern guests will be going through the cafeteria at 6 p.m., so make sure to go early to supper that day to avoid the lines. Also, Tuesday morning Taylor Circle (the road in front of Wright Hall) will be closed until 10 a.m. to allow all of the buses to load the ViewSouthern guests. Thanks for your help and your patience during this big event.

Do you enjoy live Christian music? Bebo Norman, Christian music artist, is coming to Southern Adventist University on September 29, 2003. Norman has toured with Third Day, Jennifer Knapp, and Caedman's Call, and has created four albums. If you are interested in coming to the Bebo Norman concert, you must pick up a ticket from the Student Services office. Tickets are limited, so hurry before they run out. You must show your student ID in order to receive tickets. Only one ticket will be given per person due to the amount of seating.

Lifetouch Portraits would like to apologize to all students who had to retake their pictures on Monday. Sorry about the inconvenience and thanks for your patience.

CLUBS AND DEPARTMENTS

Computing Convocation "How Sure Have a Background Check" will be presented by Richard Riddler, former FBI agent, at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, September 25, in HSC 335.

Computing Fall Outing will take place on September 27 for major, minors, and friends. Meet at HSC parking lot at 10:00 a.m. to caravan to Elsie A. Holmes nature park for worship, lunch, hiking, and fellowship.

The Psychology Club/Psi Chi will hold its first reading club meeting this Tuesday, Sep. 30

from 12-1p.m. in the Presidential Banquet Room. Please bring your lunch and your opinions as we discuss a chapter from *The Feminine Mystique*. History professor Lisa Diller will be leading the discussion. The excerpt can be found online at sapsuchi@southern.edu or in the Psychology resource room (2nd floor Sumner Hall).

American Humanities and the Communications Club will be selling concessions at this Saturday's All Night Softball. Bring a few bucks to enjoy snacks and drinks while you watch the games. Play Ball!

The Communications club will be selling concessions at the Saturday Night Baseball Games. The Business club will be selling concessions at the Saturday Night Baseball Games.

CAMPUS MINISTRIES

Sabbath Schools: 10:00 a.m. - "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity room)

10:00 a.m. - "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)
11:40 a.m. - The Third Sabbath School (Upstairs Seminar Room at the Church)

Vespers will begin at 8 p.m. on Friday, September 26, in the church. Steve Arrington will speak.

Reflections Café will begin right after vespers on Friday night in the dining hall. Bring your friends and join the Veggie Tales gang for some fun, "Silly Songs," and snacks. Brought to you by Student Wellness and Campus Ministries.

STUDENT ASSOCIATION

If you're interested in being the brains behind the theme, focus and organization of Community Service Day 2004, please meet on MONDAY, OCTOBER 6 at NOON in Presidential Banquet Room #2 next to the cafeteria...or contact Rachelle Kerr at rakerr@southern.edu or 238.2723.

Student Leadership is a student team "The Southern" auditions to be held Sunday, September 28, 6-8pm in Redford Hall.

Apply to be a member of the Southern Leadership team at southern.edu or 238.3353.

There is a tradition building now...the tradition of the Southern Leadership team.

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Southern Sagacity

ROBERT JACOBSON
COST CONTROLLER

For some of you, this semester will be the first few drops of the sweetest college experience you have ever tasted. Some will remember this semester like the first time they learned that cheese is made with rennet, an enzyme extracted almost exclusively from the stomach lining of some barnyard animal—with disgust. I would like to share some of the wisdom I have gleaned from my three years of Southern experience. For instance, I know it rains on average two out of every three days in Collegedale, Tennessee, and understand the socio-economic trends this rain affects. In an effort to share my education, I wrote home to my mother last semester:

Day 43: Still have not seen the sun. Some have accepted never leaving shelter as a fact of life, cloistering themselves in their dorm rooms. Others have embraced the rain, traveling to classes via canoe and gondola and subsisting on the produce of the sea rather than cafe food. There are a fanatic few who insist that sunshine is nothing but a metaphor, a

way for us to explain our spiritual beginnings, and that it has always been raining: there really never was any sun.

I also learned that there are some things you should spend extra money on. One time my roommate and me were shopping at K-Mart, and we picked up a crate of 16 cent per pack ramen packets. Just then my roommate noticed that on the bottom shelf there was a different brand of ramen for only 12 cents per pack. That's right, an entire meal for 12 cents.

Now most of you are college students, so you are probably intimately familiar with the ramen noodle, but for those of you who don't know, ramen is a just-add-water noodle product made out of the most favored potted plants of those North Koreans who oppose Kim Jong-il's regime. (What kind of sick regime molesters its detractors by ingesting their favorite potted flora?) Needless to say, the non-perishable food drive received a lethal dose of 12-cent ramen for Christmas that year. To this day, the thought of ramen is enough to make me Kim Jong-il.

I've learned that vigorous exer-

cise also makes me ill, but less ill than normal, that people need time to themselves, but also time with others, that Asian cuisine is a fantastic idea almost every time, that learning means being wrong far more often than being right, and that some people will hate you for who you are, some for what you say, and some people will love you no matter how mean you are to them, but keep trying anyway.

Finally, I'd like to recognize the difference between the geoders with my last bit of advice. Ladies: the most attractive men are probably in the math department. Gentlemen: ____'s phone number is _____. Have some ramen together. After all, Asian is a good idea almost every time!

Editor's Note: If you are wondering as to the identity of the woman that Mr. Jacobson so kindly offered up to the entire testosterone charged male half of the campus, **TOUGH TIDLY WINKS! 'CAUSE I AINT TELLIN'!**

Point of Interest: Ramen-style noodles can be procured at Wal-Mart discount stores for a mere 10 cents a packet.

Top Ten Best Pets

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 Confession #1

10. Electric eels – they teach a valuable lesson about personal space!

9. A groundhog – so you can find out for yourself if spring will come early this year.

8. Another groundhog – so you can get a second opinion, just in case!

7. A Chihuahua – free Taco Bell! 'Nough said!

6. A rock – it requires no maintenance.

5. A Chia Pet – it's livelier than a rock!

4. A platypus – Is it a duck? Is it an otter? Nope, it's a two-for-one deal!

3. Fleas – so P.T. won't have had the only circus.

2. A cat – where else would you put the fleas?

1. A Gila Monster or Komodo Dragon – 'Cause how cool is a sign that says "Beware of Gila Monster?!"

DUCK POND



by Justin Janetzko

Insightful insights

"Panda bears are deleterious,"

by Jon Palmer

Advice Dude

THE DUDE

Dear Advice Dude,
I want to change my major to computer science. Unfortunately, I spent all of last year saying really horrible things about computing majors. How do I explain this to friends, family, and computing teachers?

Sincerely (REALLY, I'M SINCERE!), A completely anonymous ex-Humor Editor

P.S. I think it would really help if I had a peoguin shirt. Can you get me one of those, Advice Dude?

Dear Completely Anonymous
ex-Humor Editor,

Sounds like some aggro karmic retribution to be sure. However, there are some Mondo easy steps you can take to make this transition far more gnarly. First step to total forgiveness is asking. Even if your rep is totally hemo-ed a heart felt apology will start you on your way to forgiveness. But to say your sorry is not enough. You are on the right track wishing to get one of those penguin shirts thus showing you are not ashamed of your computing brethren but instead embracing their ways. The third step is to make some friends with those in their midst. He/she will then get you in good with the group. Take a Computer major out for 2x and a nuclear liberation and you should be in. So these three things shall make your karma go from mal to radical.

Dear Advice Boy,

I'm hoping you can help me find the meaning of a dream I had the other afternoon. As I lay sleeping in my Christian Beliefs class an image came to me; a statue of a man. His head was made of super glue, his chest of rubber cement, his arms of peanut butter, his legs of plastic, and his feet of old cafeteria food. As I looked on in wonder, the statue grew to dominate the whole campus, until a literature book came from the sky and smashed it. I've already asked my study buddies if they could interpret this dream for me, but they could not, so I banished them from my presence. Can you find the meaning of my dream?

Sincerely,
Napping in Bible Class

Dear Napping

First let us get one thing straight. The Dude is no brawler and should be referred to by title. Which is Dude not the future when addressing The Dude Call Him The Dude. Ok, I know The Dude holds no grudges will interpret your letter kindly. Simply speaking your dream should be interpreted as such. There are mandatory worships. For it is the one thing we all have in common. The rubber cement Mombossoidal representative Vespers. Though it is recognized they are easy enough to get on less cohesive than the glue that binds the Mombossoidal representative authorities, deans, Campus Safety, and administration. They are thick and sticky, difficult to escape their rule. They are an impenetrable thorn. The Legalistic classes and works with our classes we would have need for what was above the and with the above the and with the above the bogus price to alter this bodacious bastion of intellectual thought. Finally we came the feet of old putrefied calves. This represents the base and of college life the pursuit of. For with out a we would be forced to consume as said old calf. The calf would dominate our campus and it should be. However time is coming when a Shiversolution will occur and all the knowledge will be no more, as it happened for this. This should have gone through many transmigration and will endure many Southern Hemisphere Adventures. And so this day prophesies of the coming of a Name and structural organization for this our favorite Institute higher learning and all the that will make it great in the to have to be established in the or come to this of a bre of me you had to much of a mystery being lost in the cafe and going to be and you had a funky chemical reaction. SNUH, THE DUDE!

The humor page is accepting columns from random writers so jump on board. Write something funny!

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Tuition rises

LESLIE FOSTER
STAFF WRITER

Tuition at Southern continues to rise without any sign of abating in the near future. This is a matter of concern among students.

"It's disappointing because it means I'll probably have to try and get more financial aid," said Evelyn Hively, freshman Film Production and Archaeology major.

According to Southern's Institutional Planning and Research website (<http://instresarch.southern.edu/>), tuition has approximately doubled every ten years for the last 30 years. The rise in tuition is not parallel to the consumer price index (CPI), that is, the cost of living or inflation. This indicates that inflation is not solely responsible for the increase in tuition.

"If I knew the causes [behind the rise of tuition], it would be...helpful. I certainly wouldn't mind a little more detail," said Wesley Easter, sophomore General Studies major.

"There is what is called an educational price index that generally is higher than the regular consumer price index and that's because the intense technology demands that are placed on the institution to provide up-to-date computers and infrastructure for students," said President Gordon Bietz of Southern Adventist University. "We are being driven to have tools and equipment for students that will match what they will use when they get out into the real world."

Bietz also stated that another major factor in the increase of tuition was health coverage for the university. Southern had to spend half a million dollars more for health care this year than in previous years.

Seventy percent of Southern's operating costs are funded by tuition, while 30% comes from donations. The increase donations don't always rise as fast as the CPI, so tuition must rise to cover the difference according to Bietz.

Much of the 70% is used to pay personnel.

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What's inside



The Playmakers pose for a group photo after winning All Night Softball.

Photo contributed

Playmakers take all-nighter

MARK GUNTHER AND ETHAN NKANA
STAFF WRITER AND SPORTS EDITOR

Even though the Playmakers had the worst regular season in the league, they surprised everyone by going undefeated until the first of the two championship games against the Bulldogs.

Early in the tournament it appeared as though team Flascioma would make a run for the title, defeating the favored Bulldogs in round one. The Bulldog's loss may have been the key to their reaching the Championship round. The Bulldog's walked through the losers bracket, defeating the Maestros, Mentals and Flascioma in their repeat meeting. In those contests, the Bulldogs held the

three teams to a combined total of four runs.

The Bulldogs (1st seed; 6-2 in the regular season) emerged as the loser's bracket representative in the final series. And with their win against the Playmakers in game 20 by a 12-2 result, it looked as if last year's runners up were about to ascend into Southern Softball's very own Valhalla. Through 5 lead changes, thick fog and fatigue, the Playmakers showed why they were both the darkest of dark horses and the team most apt to win.

One interesting side product contributing to the Playmakers surprising run to the finals was the absence of the Big Red Machine during the later rounds. One of the major disappoint-

ments of the tournament, Big Red did score a single run in their two games as were ousted due to their preponderance "take two, when one would do." In a shortened tournament, a team wins games knowing when to run and when to drive run in patiently. The Red's showed none of the discipline that made their season so successful.

The Bulldogs looked as though they would win the championship this year, defeating the Playmakers 12-2 in the first game of the championship round, but like true champions, the Playmakers fought back in game two, defeating the Bulldogs by a score of 10-9 to win the Intramural Softball Championship.



Three winners (center) celebrate their victory in the All Night Softball tournament. The winners are (left to right) [names obscured] and [name obscured]. Photo contributed by Mary Dean

As a rule, man's a fool.
When it's hot he wants it cool,
and when it's cool he wants it hot.
Always wanting what is not.
-unknown

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Norman shares Jesus through music

Bebo Norman performs concert for View Southern visitors

KELLY McAUUFFE
News Editor

When Bebo Norman took the stage Monday night, his goal wasn't to wow the crowd with flawless vocals and superior musicianship.

In his honest, humble performance, he showed the students gathered what his life is really about—sharing Jesus with those around him.

"I learn more and more every day how small I am and how big God is—how real and true it is that my value is in that I love Him, and He loves me," Norman told the crowd.

The concert, sponsored by Southern Adventist University for View Southern, packed the Collegedale Church with academy and university students eager to hear the contemporary Christian artist.

Norman performed ten songs, including the stirring worship anthem, "Great Light of the World." In between songs, he shared his personal experiences—the lessons learned and heartfelt pleas behind his radio hits.

Throughout the concert, Norman encouraged students to fully rely on God. "Our pursuit doesn't have to be career or even family. Our pursuit needs to be the God who loves us—the rest will fall into place," said Norman.

Norman got his musical start at a private college in South Carolina. A hockey and clemency major, he fully intended to go on to medical school after graduation.

"I started writing songs in college, but I had zero intention of

playing music. It was more my own little therapy sessions," smiled Norman.

But his friends encouraged him to give music a try, and he began half-heartedly praying for God to open a door if it was His will.

After graduating, he took time off to cut a CD and never made it back to med school. Eight years and three albums later, he's amazed at what God can do, if we give Him the chance.

"I am so thankful that we believe in a God who's patient," he added wryly.

A songwriter at heart, Norman keeps a tape recorder handy to record the ideas that come to him while he's driving or on the tour bus. However, actually transmitting his thoughts into singable choruses takes a bit longer.

"Coming up with the ideas for songs and actually finishing them are two completely different processes for me," said Norman, who's slated to head back to the studio this coming spring to begin work on a fourth album.

"A lot of my songs are prayers," continued Norman. And since so many are deeply personal, it's hard for him to choose a favorite. "They move in and out," he added, "but right now my favorite songs to perform are 'All That I Have Sown' and 'Where the Trees Stand Still.'"

The latter reflects on Norman's desire for a home and family. Recently engaged, he's looking forward to these dreams coming true. But spending quality time with his fiancé can be difficult. "I've changed the way I tour," said Norman, "so I'm only gone four



nights a week. I also take summer and a month or so around Christmas off."

Through his songs and in his concerts, Norman has a message to share with fans. "We don't have to have this vision of ministry where we go out and change people by the masses," concluded Norman. "God gives us a handful of people who really know us, and that handful is what life is really about. If we're not loving them well, we're not showing Jesus to other people."



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City hires traffic officer

DANE TAYLOR
Staff Reporter

A new position at the Collegedale Police Department will focus on traffic enforcement and education.

The Collegedale City Commission approved a government-approved grant to promote Brian Hickman, who was already on the Collegedale force.

More than 200 applications were submitted by other police officers, but only 78 were approved for consideration.

"This officer will be in charge of traffic studies, traffic enforcement and safety education by setting up informational road blocks," said Gary Will, Collegedale police chief.

Hickman's education duties will include seatbelt information and child safety seats, as well as working with communities that have chronic speeders coming through



Officer Brian Hickman

Photo contributed

Collegedale to obtain the grant. The statistics included figures on crash data, driving under the influence arrests, revoked drivers' license citations including speeding tickets.

According to Hardeman, one of the most interesting figures was that the average ticketed speed in the city is 18.6 miles over the speed limit.

Hickman will also help with general duties for the Collegedale force. "It is public knowledge that our population has grown in excess of twenty percent in the last ten years," said John Turner, city commissioner.

Turner feels that the city will fall behind if preparations aren't made to keep up the city infrastructure, which includes the police force, fire department and city works.

He believes that this is a great opportunity to help the police department keep up with an ever growing city.

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related costs such as salaries, continuing education for teachers, health care, and retirement funds.

While the rent students pay goes in part to maintaining and paying for the dormitories and Southern Village, new buildings or renovations are usually funded by donations.

Another factor is important in the rise of tuition. "Some of the things that are driving up tuition at Southern are...increased services requiring more personnel. The biggest part of the budget for the university is costs associated with

payroll, with personnel services," said Helen Durichke, assistant vice president of financial administration. These services include Counseling and Testing Services, The Center for Learning Success, and student activities.

The need to make a profit also affects tuition. "The other thing that is important for an institution this size, it's a no-profit organization, that doesn't mean we shouldn't make a profit, it's only when we have a profit, that we have the cash flow to be able to have some stability and security as we look into the future," said Bietz.

The increasing tuition has

affected students from middle-class backgrounds the most.

Administrators admit that this is a dilemma, but don't see the rise of tuition ending in the near future. "There has been an intentional desire not to simply freeze tuition or make it go down and then two years from now, suddenly, we have to catch up with a huge jump. And so there has been a desire to just maintain consistent growth," Bietz said.

"This is a problem for all institutions," said Marc Grundy, director of student finance and enrollment services, "I truly believe that Southern is doing everything we

can to keep tuition in check."

Southern's tuition is still lower than most other Adventist colleges and is just below the average for private universities and colleges in Tennessee. Despite the continuing increase in tuition, administrators do not believe that they will lose students from middle-income families. "The middle-income class realizes that [Southern] is such a great deal financially," Grundy said.

When asked if anything could be done to help reduce tuition, Durichke mentioned creating more student jobs. "Students used to be in more responsible posi-

tions. If we could train and hire students do more of the work as opposed to hiring adult full time people, the total cost of education wouldn't be as much, so the student would benefit...by his family not having to contribute as much and the school would benefit by holding down the cost."

President Bietz hopes that more scholarship and grant opportunities will be available next year to help out students at Southern. "We will do our best to hold tuition increases at some modest level," Bietz said, but he can't promise anything.

Students mentor children

JANELL PETTIBONE
STAFF REPORTER

Kids In Discipleship is a volunteer ministry that gives Southern students a chance to be elementary classroom chaplains and mentors for children in the local community.

"Because of Southern students' willingness to help, we can make this program work," said Jill Howe, classroom chaplain coordinator. "Without them, there wouldn't be a program." Through K.I.D., each of the classrooms at A.W. Spaulding Elementary School has two chaplains, Howe explained. These chaplains give a worship thought for their class once a week and spend time with the children outside of the classroom.

Parents, pastors, and at least 17 Southern students are serv-

ing as chaplains this year, according to Howe. It is a one-year commitment and anyone who likes kids can volunteer.

"We are thrilled to have committed college students," Howe said. "They are so eager to make a difference. Kids connect with [college] students on a different level, especially the seventh and eighth graders."

Another K.I.D. ministry is a mentoring program through the Collegedale SDA Church. Mentors include parents, grandparents, and, for children who are not otherwise represented, Southern students, according to Donna Bushey, manager of K.I.D.

Small groups of mentors and their children meet once a week at various locations to study a set of lessons called "Footprints in the Sand," that was written by K.I.D.

"It is exciting to help the future generation of our church grow," said Walter Martinez, a senior theology major and K.I.D. mentor.

Don McLaugherty, director of K.I.D., started the program at the Collegedale SDA Church one-and-a-half years ago. The first project was to write the "Footprints in the Sand" curriculum used in the mentoring program.

"The lessons are still in the developmental stage," Bushey said. "Southern students have been, and still are, very instrumental in the process."

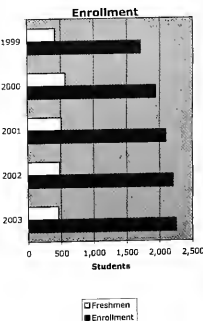
The curriculum team will be meeting soon to continue revising the lessons, and Southern students are welcome to help, according to Bushey. The lessons are currently used in several states on a test basis and will be published in 2005. They will

eventually be translated to go worldwide.

The Kids In Discipleship mission statement is "Mentoring kids to be empowered disciples of Jesus NOW!" They emphasize "now" because many times people focus on training children to be leaders when they grow up, but K.I.D. knows they can make a difference now, Bushey explained. She added, "Kids are willing and they are able, but we need to train them."

"I thought it was a great mission because they want to make our religion practical for kids instead of just preaching to them," said Christine Leui, who worked with K.I.D. in the fall of 2002 when she was a senior mass communication major at Southern. "I'd definitely recommend helping with the program to anyone who likes kids."

Student enrollment figures from 1999-2003



"Take me out to the ball field"



Travis Ringstaff provides ballroom music during all night softball.
Photo by Marcella Calhoun

Southern Hosts SDA Conference

PRESS RELEASE

Leaders of the outdoor education program at Southern Adventist University are thrilled that it was chosen to host this fall's Christian Wilderness Leaders' Coalition (CWLC) Conference from October 15-19. CWLC, whose purpose is "to edify, educate, and equip Christian wilderness leaders," holds two conferences each year, one in the east and one in the west, in order "to bring together those who minister Jesus in the out-of-doors."

The conference will be an exciting blend of worship, fellowship, networking, skills seminars, and adventure. A variety of seminar topics is planned, including working with gangs in the outdoors, sharing God in nature, grant writing, and even kayak rolling.

Participants will also be able to choose from a variety of "Skills and Thrills," such as vertical and horizontal caving, rock climbing,

kayaking, and white water canoeing.

An Eco Challenge is planned as well for three-member, co-ed teams. All of these activities are offered to conference participants at no extra charge.

Cohutta Springs has been chosen as the actual site of the conference because of its convenient location relative to Southern and its easy access to outdoor activities. Southern students and others from the community who are avid outdoor leaders and enthusiasts should consider this option for mid-term break.

The cost is small considering the benefits: networking, job opportunities (job boards will be posted), outdoor adventure, honing or learning of skills, and Christian fellowship with like-minded folks from around the country.

For more information, check out the CWLC website at www.cwlc.net or contact Michael Hills, 238-2785.

RIAA

Joining the RIAA's amnesty program will protect you from legal action, but only from the RIAA. A clause in the amnesty agreement reads as follows:

Information will not be made public or given to third parties, including individual copyright owners, except if necessary to enforce a participant's violation of the pledges set forth in the Affidavit or otherwise required by law.

Those last five words mean that the amnesty list is available to any copyright holder able to successfully subpoena it - just like the RIAA successfully subpoenaed lists of KaZaA users from ISPs. Read <http://slate.msn.com/id/2088966> for more information. In short, signing up with the RIAA's amnesty list is an admission of guilt. You are much safer staying off the list.

Derick Anderson

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT

New clocks synchronize Southern's campus

THOM NIKANA
Staff Writer

The graduating class of 2003 presented Southern Adventist University with a timeless gift: Atomic Radio Clocks. These clocks receive a radio signal which keeps them synchronized to the second. This will be of benefit to students and professors across campus.

Dr. Robert Moore, a professor of mathematics, and a sponsor of last year's graduating class, said that each clock contains a tiny radio receiver that tunes a signal from the National Institute of Standards and Technology, based in Fort Collins, Colorado. The radio signal that the clocks receive keeps the time accurate, "to every second in one million years."

The Atomic Radio Clock does not need to be set manually because once it receives the radio signal it will automatically set itself to the exact time. These clocks will minimize confusion and work.

When the time falls back one hour later in October, the clocks adjust to the time change on their



Math Professor Bob Moore replaces the old clock in Brock Hall #119 with one of 30 new atomic clocks. Photo contributed.

own. "This will be the true test to see how well the clocks are receiving the radio signal," Dr. Moore said.

The class of 2003 raised approximately \$1,100 and purchased 30 radio clocks that Dr. Moore strategically placed in classrooms that are most frequently used, where he believes the clocks will effectively receive the radio signal.

Although students have noticed the new clocks with the Southern

logo, they are unaware of the radio clocks' functionality, which should put an end to disputes over time discrepancies on different sides of campuses.

Dr. Moore hopes that this project will inspire future classes to present Southern with class gifts, and maybe one class will come to finish the Atomic Radio Clock project so that each classroom will have one of its own.



A diligent student uses one of the new monitors. Photo by Angela Carver.

School of Computing upgrades monitors

ANGELA CARVER
Staff Reporter

The School of Computing has 28 new 17-inch Viewsonic flat screen monitors. They are located in the general lab, room 117.

"They tried different types of monitors," said Andrew Bermudez, a sophomore computer science major, commented on the department's selection.

In the end the department chose the Viewsonic because, among many reasons, it is the same brand that they had before.

The LCD, liquid crystal display, monitors have many benefits that the old monitors did not.

One obvious advantage is that they take up less space. "They are easier on your eyes," said Hughes Hilton, a senior computer science major.

The flat screen monitor is easier on the eyes because it doesn't flicker; the screen is constant. "I'm on

screen all the time. It's a tremendous improvement, [and they] form more precise images," added John Beckett, a teacher in the computer science department.

The older monitors contained an electron gun that shot electrons off at an incredibly fast speed. A magnet then directed the electrons toward the screen. When the electrons hit the screen, they reacted with its phosphorous causing the monitor screen to glow in different colors.

The LCD screens are made up of thousands of little squares that glow together to create a picture. The LCD screens will have the same resolution as the old monitors, but still have a sharper picture.

One of the only drawbacks is that it is damaging to touch the screen of an LCD monitor. This is one of the concerns of the department. The lab has plastic covering the screens to try to prevent students from touching them.

Southern Accent Founder Passes

HOAN BOATWRIGHT
Editor

Dr. Elaine Giddings, the former Southern Missionary College professor who founded *The Southern Accent* and was its first faculty advisor, passed away Friday, September 26 at the age of 95.

Dr. Giddings, chairman of the Liberal Arts Division at Southern Missionary College from 1945-50, was Southern's first woman faculty member to hold a doctorate.

Dr. Giddings taught at Southern before moving to Andrews University.

While attending Andrews, and after her visit to Southern Adventist University told a speech class from Dr. Giddings.

"He has such a lovely way of speaking,"

she said.

Dr. Bilez was saddened when he heard Dr. Giddings had died.

"It was with sorrow that I learned of the passing of Elaine Giddings," said Bilez. "I found her to be a warm, gracious and dynamic teacher."

Bilez, as well as many others on campus, miss Giddings' gentle legacy and her high educational ministry.

Dr. Giddings also was the first professional script writer at the Faithful Lander television, where she served for a number of years, and was 30 years old when she taught her last class at Andrews University.

According to a press release by Andrews University, Dr. Giddings believed that no formal funeral service be held. However, a service of praise and celebration of her life is being planned for the near future.

Editors note: The Accent staff and all those who have benefited from the *Accent* owe a great deal to Dr. Giddings. Thanks, Dr. Giddings, for your vision. We hope you see us in the Kingdom.

Thatcher updates weight room equipment

MELITA PUIC
Staff Reporter

For several years the women have complained about the old weightlifting equipment in their exercise room. During Smart Start, Thatcher the deans purchased new equipment.

"What we had was not efficient for what the girls needed," said Gwyneth Lagares, junior in finance accounting.

The complaints were brought to the attention of the Southern senators but nothing was achieved. Then Lagares asked the Senators, "I did a poll amongst the girls, but the senators did not do it."

However, this year Dean Engel decided that a change was in order. The deans researched weightlifting equipment, looking for the high-st quality at the right price. With the help of the women's Club and money from the girls' vending machines, Dean Engel was able to buy efficient weightlifting equipment. The price of the equipment was between \$4,000 and \$5,000.

"We are limited on space, and



Lio R. Merrymann and Jennifer Page workout in the weight room. Photo by Melita Puic.

we have no place to go other than two rooms; [but] we are trying to replace anything that is not working," said Dean Engel.

Even though new weightlifting equipment has been good news for Thatcher, some problems have arisen. Two 10-pound weights were stolen on Tuesday. The thief

is unknown, but a decision made by Dean Engel has closed both exercise room and weight room until the weights are returned.

Thatcher women are "aggravated" and "upset" by the news.

"They closed both rooms? That does not make sense," said Laura Bowen, nursing major. "It is mak-

ing me more lazy."

Another question brought by the students was "can there be a monitor in the room guarding the equipment and advising the girls?" Talge Hall has a monitor in the weight room every day and no problems have occurred.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

Southern students celebrate unusual holiday

RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

About a dozen Southern students celebrated "International Talk Like a Pirate Day" September 19. Loren Small, a junior film production major, found out about the holiday and encouraged his friends to observe it. "I had a poster that I was going to print and hang all over campus, but I got swamped with homework and had to do that instead," Small said. "I

did do as much as I could by verbally passing the news on to everyone that I met."

"International Talk Like a Pirate Day" began about eight years ago when two friends, John Baur and Mark Summers, started spouting off pirate lingo while they played racquetball. "We decided then and there that what the world really needed was a new national holiday," National Talk Like a Pirate Day, Baur and Summers relate on their website, talklikeapi-

rate.com.

Nationally recognized humorist Dave Barry endorsed the new holiday in 2002, and for the last two years it has been celebrated across the U.S. and in Europe. To celebrate the holiday, Small said he talked like a pirate throughout the day. He called his brother and his parents to talk like a pirate to them. He also played his favorite pirate computer game and listened to some pirate music.

"I have been asked if I should-

n't have dressed like a pirate, but that seemed too much bother," Small said. "Besides, it is 'Talk Like a Pirate Day,' not 'Dress and Talk Like a Pirate Day.'"

Small said he also celebrates several other unusual holidays, including "Sleep Day" (Jan. 3), "Make Your Own Holiday Day" (March 23), "Lost Soul Memorial Day" (May 9), and "Fight Procrastination Day" (Sept. 6). "Usually I celebrate [Fight Procrastination Day] on the sev-

enth," Small notes.

According to www.holidayisights.com, creating an official national holiday requires an act of Congress, but anyone can declare a new holiday and encourage others to celebrate it. Companies, local governments, sports teams and special interest groups create many lesser-known holidays.

Never a dull moment A dinner date at Toni's

B.J. SINGMURST
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

One of the most interesting and life-changing experiences I have undergone has occurred in the last two and a half weeks. Since I have come to Southern. The three biggest changes for me involve the number of opportunities available, a new realization of the importance of relaxation, and the discovery of an amazing group of people.

Up to this point, I have found only one thing at Southern that seems impossible: getting bored. Over the course of my two weeks here, homework, and the barrage of worship requirements, have consumed a lot of my time. Whenever I get that strange, ridiculous feeling that homework has not completely life, there are plenty of great extracurricular activities to get involved in, many of which revolve around sports and religion.

I am particularly looking forward to using the track, gymnasium, and tennis courts.

In addition to the massive bank of opportunities I have encountered, I have found another new lifestyle feature to which I must adjust: that of living area. I happen to be a resident of one of the largest dorm rooms in Talge Hall - it's almost 150 square feet, shared between three people! In learning to cope with this new challenge, I have come to realize exactly what there's a big house appealing - there's room to relax, which is something that becomes more important as life gets busier.

One aspect of this college that I have found truly amazing revolves around all the people here at Southern. I have never lived in an Adventist community before now. For the last two years of high school, I attended a public school.

Let me tell you that the difference in people's characters is as night is to day. In addition, I have never witnessed such unparalleled musical and speaking talent as is present within Southern and its church. The professors are excellent and I have yet to meet a "mean" person, students and faculty included. I am still encountering times while walking down the promenade or in other areas of campus when I think to myself "there's an Adventist...there's another Adventist...and there's another one...and we're not even in church!"

I'm sure I will continue to enjoy the campus, the people, and the opportunities it entails. Although this new lifestyle incurs many new challenges, inevitably, they will continue to get easier and will ultimately improve my character and overall understanding.

CYNTHIA NANDY
STAFF WRITER

Toni's is a great restaurant for the guy who wants to sweep that special girl off her feet. The quaint little Italian restaurant is situated in what I like to call Chattanooga's "Little Italy." Narrow streets and the surrounding Italian buildings complement the food's authenticity. Diners can enjoy more-than-generous helpings of food under the stars in the outdoor dining area overlooking the Tennessee River. After the meal, one may like to visit Rembrandt's coffee shop, located about 20 paces across the street. Rembrandt's is stuffed with all sorts of sinfully tempting delicacies to tantalize the taste buds. The cost of such an evening may be a bit pricey, but for those who

are willing to forget that they are poor college students for a couple of hours, it is well worth the sacrifice.

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IMAX: Ocean Films

RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Do you need a break from books and homework? Or do you need a great idea for that special person you are dying to ask out? Visit the

taken in the South Pacific. The footage was taken on a ten-month voyage across the Pacific. The film does not only show the mysterious splendor of the coral reefs, but also their decline. You will see ocean life that has never before been seen.



Photo courtesy:

<http://www.inequa.org/IMAX/Imax.asp>

The IMAX cameras are taken down deeper into the ocean depths than anyone has ever gone before.

The 3-D film Ocean Wonderland is the second IMAX film that is currently showing. You will feel as though you are a part of the ocean

with sharks, dolphins, and rays swimming around you. You can view the ocean life of the Bahamas and the Australian Great Barrier Reef as though you were just another fish in the sea. This film also depicts the tragic ruin of the coral reefs. Ocean Wonderland shows the audience how important the reefs are to the existence of marine life.



Photo courtesy:

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Upcoming Christian Concerts

Date/Time	Artist(s)	Location
Oct 4 7:00 p.m.	Caedmon's Call	Ridge Ferry Park, Rome, Ga.
Oct 13 4:00 p.m.	Newkrye with Plus One (Festival con Dine)	Camp Jordan Park, Chattanooga, Tenn.
Oct 24 7:00 p.m.	Rebecca St. James with Charmaine	Broadmoor Baptist, Memphis, Tenn.
Oct 31 7:00 p.m.	Shawn Groves	City Church, Chattanooga, Tenn.
Nov 4 7:30 p.m.	Michael W. Smith with Mercy Me	Viking Hall Arena, Bristol, Tenn.
Nov 6 7:00 p.m.	Twila Paris	Brentwood Baptist Church, Brentwood, Tenn.
Nov 7 7:30 p.m.	Chris Rice	Memorial Auditorium, Chattanooga, Tenn.
Nov 7 8:00 p.m.	Bebo Norman	Club Fathom, Chattanooga, Tenn.
Dec 12 7:30 p.m.	Jam of Clay with Toby Mac	Forum Civic Center, Rome, Ga.
Dec 14 7:30 p.m.	Michael W. Smith with Point of Grace	Geyland Entertainment Center, Nashville, Tenn.

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT

RELIGION

Church boring?

KEVIN REED
Revelation Editor

At the close of a particularly long and boring sermon, the pastor announced that there would be a meeting of the board immediately following the church service. The first person to join the pastor in the boardroom was a first-time visitor to the church. The pastor asked, so the story goes, if the gentleman had misunderstood the announcement. "No," the man replied. "You said there was to be a meeting of the board and if there is anyone who was more bored by this church service than I was, I would sure like to meet him."

Many equate church with boredom, especially in our fast-paced, entertainment-oriented society. Church cannot compete, it seems, with the excitement offered by the movie theater or the rock concert. Leaders in nearly all prominent denominations are struggling to find the answer to why there is a mass exodus of teens and young adults from the church. Turning up the volume and offering entertaining programs does not seem to stem the tide. Turning down the volume and offering dry, boring programs has not worked, either. The reason, however, is simple, according to the Bible: organized Christianity has lost the power and is stumbling about in darkness, unable to see.

The second and third chapters of Revelation paint a picture of the Christian church from the time of the apostles to the present. Seven churches are briefly sketched, each representing a period of the Christian church. Jesus reprimands five churches and warns them to change their ways. The church of Laodicea, which represents us today, is warned of her precarious situation in Revelation chapter 3. "I know your works, that you are neither cold nor hot. I could wish you were cold or hot. So then, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will vomit you out of My mouth" (Revelation 3:15, 16 NKJV).

In the verses following, Jesus states a number of reasons why the church is lukewarm. The underlying problem is clear: the church is empty and does not realize the condition she is in. She thinks she is rich and she is not. She is wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked. The church today (the Christian church as a whole) is in her Laodicean condition because she has lost sight of Jesus and is instead focusing on herself. She has become more concerned with what she thinks she has—her magnificent edifices, towering hospitals, numerous schools, faithful members—than she is interested in truly knowing and following Jesus. Church has become boring because Jesus is left out and self is brought in.

Church does not have to be boring. The solution is not better musicians and more inspiring sermons, or throwing out the sermon all together. The solution is very personal. Although the problem is presented as a corporate problem, the solution is presented individually to you and me. After speaking of the problem of the Laodicean church in Revelation, Jesus speaks these words: "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me" (Revelation 3:20).

"If anyone hears my voice"—this is an individual invitation. The Christian church may be lukewarm and boring, but the only way to change that is individually. You and I can choose to be enveloped in the arms of Jesus, transformed by His never-ending love, saved by His amazing grace. We can choose to be changed and as we are changed, the church will be changed as well, for we are the Christian church.



Adam Wilson and friends help lead out in a song service.

Photo by Kim Siebel

Tuesday nights at Thatcher well received

KEVIN REED
Revelation Editor

Residents of Thatcher and Talge gathered in the Thatcher chapel on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 and 10:00 for the first few TNT—"Tuesday Nights at Thatcher"—meetings. This joint worship program sponsored by Campus Ministries was generally well received by students and will continue be a weekly Tuesday evening event. Worship credit is given for attendance.

"TNT—Tuesday Nights at Thatcher. We think the name is

the bomb," Steven Lundquist said, following a lively song service led by Ivan Colon and Greg Creek as he welcomed students to the first TNT this school year. Dr. Doug Jacobs, associate professor with the School of Religion, shared a message entitled "Praise God for Fless." Drawing on his personal experience, as well as from the experience of Corrie ten Boom, a well-known Christian who was imprisoned in a Nazi concentration camp during World War II, he encouraged the audience to give thanks to God in all circumstances. His message resonated with Brent Wilson, a senior theology major. "I really enjoyed the preaching. Dr. Jacobs' little sermon was really good," says Wilson.

Other TNT speakers have included Ben Martin and Jeff Sutton. Ben Martin humorously related his close encounter with death as a student missionary in China and assured those in attendance that God has a plan for each life. "Connecting Connectors" was the theme of Jeff Sutton's devotional talk during the worship program last week. He spoke of the importance of being connected to Christ and of the Christian's duty to connect others with Christ.

TNT provides dorm residents with a pleasant addition to normal dorm worship. "At TNT you get a better variety of speakers and topics than in the normal dorm worship," Jeremy Glass, sophomore music major, says. Most reactions to TNT were similarly positive. Other students express concern regarding a perceived lack of reverence and general distraction among many of those attending. The TNT experience, however, has been for most an uplifting and positive experience.



Students file out of dorm worship.

Photo by Kim Siebel

Don't just Do something; Stand There!

MELROY MASON
Revelation Editor

"Go, go! Faster, faster! Do this, do that! Move it, move it! Don't you realize that you still have tons to do? Don't just stand there, do something!"

While no one has actually spoken these words to me since I started my last semester of classes here at Southern (a mere five weeks ago), these are some of the thoughts that have been running—or should I say racing—through my mind. In fact, I was talking to my mom on the phone the other week

and she asked how everything was going. "Things are great," I replied, "but I feel like I jumped on a roller coaster that is going 200 mph, and I have absolutely no control. I've just got to hang on for dear life!"

Hang on for dear life—does that sound familiar? I imagine you can choose to be enveloped in the arms of Jesus, transformed by His never-ending love, saved by His amazing grace. We can choose to be changed and as we are changed, the church will be changed as well, for we are the Christian church.

to DO until we decide whatever it is that we really want to DO. And (not to be intentionally repetitive here) we have strong encouragement to DO this in the Bible.

The Bible says in Ecclesiastes 9:10: "Whatever your hand finds to do, DO it with all your strength." These are pretty clear instructions, are they not? A fresh realization, however, came to my mind the other day as I was wondering how I was going to do everything I had to do. God's gentle voice seemed to answer my frantic cry as He spoke to me.

"Mel, take a few moments out

and stop doing. Just stand there. Look at me." "Yeah, God," I replied, "it's great to look at you, but I can't stay here very long you know. I've got things to do and places to go and..." But He hushed me once again. "Those things may be important, but you need to keep your priorities straight if you are going to make it. This is God speaking here—he still and know me! (Ps. 46:10). It all starts with Me. And if you don't take enough time to really know me, then you will never be what I mean you to be!"

"Wow! So you mean that if I really focus on knowing You, even if I

don't get everything done today or tomorrow, you'll still make it up to me?" I exclaimed. "You'll still get me where I am supposed to be!" "That's right my child," He said. "answered. "Seek Me. Remember what I promised! As these things I will add unto you" (Matthew 6:33).

Peace and relief flooded my soul as I was re-challenged by those words from God. And as I have been re-challenged, I challenge you. Keep your priorities straight. Do not just do something. Stand there. Look at God and know Him!

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT RELIGION

Evangelism field school a great success

SUZANNE TRUDE
STAFF REPORTER

This summer the School of Religion provided senior theology with a taste of evangelism. Fourteen seniors went to Florida with Dr. Jacobs, associate professor with the School of Religion, to participate in a field school of evangelism. This is the first of many field schools in the United States. The School of Religion has conducted a number of field schools outside the United States, and it is not unusual when preaching outside of the states to have great results and gain a spiritual high from the experience. The experience is even more exciting when evangelistic meetings are conducted in the United States and the results are equal. This field

school took place in Florida so that seniors could gain practical experience working with and for people just like them.

Part of that experience was working with the different churches in the areas that were evangelized. The seniors worked with the Florida and Southern Union Conferences conducting meetings at ten different locations. The central meeting took place at the Port Charlotte Seventh-day Adventist Church. Ron Halverson, Southern Union conference evangelist, worked with four of the Southern seniors at Port Charlotte. At the nine satellite crusades held in local churches, the seniors took charge. These churches were spread out for seventy miles north and seventy miles south from Port

Charlotte. They also included churches where other cultures were present, such as Haitian and Cuban.

The seniors were able to work for the local people in a special way. This was a form of training and they were coached on how to best serve. Some were able to help sim-

ply because they knew Spanish. One senior is Haitian and was able to relate with those from a Haitian background. These seniors could relate to the people at their meetings and were able to serve better. Also thanks to the Florida conference and Southern Union. They had the funds, equipment, and support needed for the evangelistic efforts. They were also able to rent a newly built convention center in Port Charlotte and hold the meetings there.

On the opening night, more than 700 people came to the Port Charlotte meeting. It was an amazing sight, and Dr. Jacobs managed to catch some of the wonder. He traveled from meeting to meeting and helped out where he could and also took pictures. At the satellite meetings, the students preached only on the weekends. Halverson's Port Charlotte meetings were all week. The six weeks that the meetings lasted were full for the seniors. Monday through Wednesday the students went to lectures and visited those attend-



Student evangelists hang from their car as they pose for a photo
photo contributed

ing the meetings. They also went to Halverson's meetings those nights. Thursday was the freedom day on which the students did fun Florida things like hold alligators and email friends.

This field school was not only fun and hard work; the rewards equaled those of an out-of-country mission trip. The meetings result-

ed in 110 baptisms. Praise God! This experience has led to the planning of next year's field school to be held in Florida. In 2004 the meetings will be centered in the Port Saint Lucie area. From about May 14 to June 19, five or six satellite meetings will once again spread the Good News in Florida.



photo caption
to best serve. Some were able to help sim-

For such a time

KELLY RAZZOUK
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

My second week at the United Nations has been an incredible one. I have seen heads of state from every country, Colin Powell, and President Bush. Although it was extremely exciting to see all of these people, I believe I have a more important reason for being at the UN this year. I feel that God has brought me to the UN as He brought Esther to the King's court "for such a time as this." He continues to open doors for me to share with others who our Adventist Church believes.

So far I have been able to talk to many diplomats, including an esteemed counselor from Algeria about the mission of our church. The "Spirit of Peace Concert," a concert held at Southern in conjunction with the UN International Day of Peace, has opened doors for me to tell influential individuals that our church is taking an active role in promoting peace and peace education.

A few days ago when I was on my way home from the concert in Tennessee, I had the privilege of sitting next to an editing director of FC magazine. He told me that he had met a colleague a few days before

who was Adventist. She told him that Adventists can't drink, smoke, or eat meat, and they don't use electricity or do anything else that could be deemed "work" on the Sabbath. When I heard this I felt a pain in my heart because it is not the first time that I've heard these words. So many people associate the Adventist church only with a list of "can't do's."

This year I am trying, one person at a time, to change people's perceptions of Adventists and our church. I want them to see us as ambassadors of peace and as humanitarianism who are compassionate and who have a passion for living life to the fullest. I want them to see how excited we are about the incredible God we serve, our Creator.

Mr. Kofi Annan, in his address to the General Assembly this week said, "The UN is by no means a perfect instrument, but it is a precious one." I believe that we are not perfect instruments, but God uses us. His precious children, so the music of His message may fall on all ears we come in contact with.

Editors note:

Kelly Razzouk is serving as liaison officer for the Adventist church to the United Nations in New York

Church Schedule

For September 27, 2003

Compiled by Sean Reed

CHURCH	TIME	SPEAKER	TITLES
Collegedale Church	9:00 and 11:30 AM	Ed Wright	(not available)
Korean Youth Church	11:30	Vincent Saunders	(not available)
Spanish-American Church	9:30 - 11:45	Geo. Martin	(not available)
Hamilton Community Church	11:30 AM	Mark Bersee	The Great Adventure
McDonald Road Church	8:50 and 11:25 AM	Delmer Anderson	Are You Perfect Yet?
Ooltewah Church	8:55 and 11:25 AM	(not available)	(not available)
The Third	10:00 AM	Mike Fulbright	(not available)

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT

EDITORIAL

Homosexuality in the SDA Church

Dear Editor
In response to Ryan Child's article from the September 26 issue of *The Southern Accent*.

I will not try to debate whether or not homosexuality is a sin. It's clear enough in the Bible. Premarital sex and adultery also violate biblical principles. But the Seventh-day Adventist Church does not condemn the 16-year girl who got pregnant or the obese man who sits in the back row every Sabbath service.

In his article, "Homosexuality and the SDA Church," Ryan Child stated that as Christians, we should not "cave in on social issues." He also pointed out that Ch. 3 showed Christians. Then as Christians, we should not accept homosexuality, but shouldn't we show compassion towards gays and lesbians, and then leave it up to God to look into their hearts? Only God can rightfully judge and condemn the sins of individuals.

Ryan Child also asserted "spreading the message, however uncomfortable, is our end time mission." Preaching against homosexuality is not what will bring gays and lesbians to God. The "message" is not about the brutality of homosexuality, but of God's

grace. Christ died for all sinners, including homosexuals, so that we may have eternal life. And that is the message the world needs to hear.

Cassie Jewell

Homosexuality in the SDA Church

Dear Editor,

In Response to the opinion piece on homosexuality that ran in the September 26 issue, I am compelled to send this, since the author did not give any reasons for his beliefs. I have done a quick search at google.com to see what references were available. Not a few links were returned that provide some arguments from both sides of the issue.

The author likens homosexuality to murder, a comparison that no true bible scholar could make. The difference between the two in the Bible is a difference of statement. In the case of murder, the commandment is clear, but the reference used for homosexuality is vague.

Shawn Weeks

YG Music: Bedlam of noise

To Whom It May Concern:

I was sitting in my suite mates' room this afternoon reading some of the columns in the Southern Accent, when we came across some articles regarding the music at Younger Generation. One of the opinion columns started me when I began to read. I don't want to pick on any one particular group, and in no way wish to denigrate anyone's motives or portray myself as somehow spiritually superior to them." Then goes on to say, "If that is the way they wish

to show their love and praise to the Lord, it is His job to judge their offering." I then became offended when he proceeded to contradict his first statement by saying, "...showcasing a group of young ladies dancing irreverently to disco-like music..." and criticizing the people described by saying it was "truly a sad testimony to the dilution of our witness to society." Being a part of this "irrevocable" sad testimony to witnessers, I am a little hurt. I do realize that everyone is entitled to their own

opinion, and if it had been left alone I would have been okay, but he made personal when he continued to describe our group, and threatened our morals. Just like he previously, it is not his place to judge. Yet his statements made me feel I was being judged. If he didn't our music, that is fine, he's entitled just didn't appreciate our music. Christianly being questioned in school newspaper, in front of entire school.

Ashley Sabol

View Southern unfair

To the editors:

This is in response to the "View Southern Unfair" article printed in last week's Accent.

May I make a suggestion? Can we be more careful and sensitive in the future as to when we run any story, editorial, or opinion in the Accent?

When Laura Gonnell complained about View Southern and the inconvenience it causes Southern students, it would have been smart editing to run it "prior" to the View Southern students arriving or "after" they have left campus. There were a lot of Accents in our lobby on Sunday and the visiting seniors/sponsors checking into

took them thinking this would be a good way to learn more about View Southern. I only hope they didn't read the "view southern unfair" section. We spend thousands of dollars every year in recruiting new students, and when they come on campus they read in the campus newspaper that they cause inconvenience to dorm students and long lines in the cafe. (Not a good thing!) Ironically, Laura and her roommate did not host any guests this year. Obviously Laura doesn't eat in the cafeteria much, otherwise she would have noticed that the only meal that our guests ate in the cafeteria during regular hours was Tuesday morning. And instead of the usual one serving line, the cafe had planned ahead and had three serving lines. The other meals for the View Southern guests were held in the gym or in the cafe after it closed at 6 pm.

Has Laura forgotten that she was once an academy senior?

As for the Bebo Norman concert not being for Southern students. For

those that "planned ahead" picked up tickets. I'm sure his "special event" for those who showed up without a ticket might, as many as possible went into the concert.

As for "what special events guests who pay a little to go get?" Current students benefit weekly basis, if not daily, from many long hours of hard work dedicated faculty and staff. Students! Just stop by and ask Shultz (or any) who works in night planning interesting Saturday night programs for Southern students!

Also, ask all the SA officers spend countless hours making university better! Also, just ask your Student Planner to see all quality programs planned for students this year.

What a slap in the face for people including some of our own peers! I personally think the Accent owes a lot of people a sincere apology.

Bev Rawson

Thumbs up - Thumbs down



Thumbs up to Joler release. Very unique way of delivering the joke... Thanks for getting this gem out on time and making it worth the wait.

Thumbs down to huge trees that have fallen across the biology trail then been left there. Runners could really hurt themselves and walkers find themselves involved in an unexpected obstacle course.



Thumbs up to The Southern Accent getting its act together last week and putting out an awesome issue. There's a learning curve for the new staff here at the Accent, thanks for being patient, and we hope to continually improve each issue.



Thumbs down to the cafeteria closing at 1:15 for Saturday lunch. For students who go to churches who let out late, such as Hamilton Community, it is very difficult to get back in time. Maybe try starting lunch a little later and extending the time to at least 1:30.

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View Southern unfair

To the editor:

Last week I picked up an accent, and as I flipped through it I stumbled across a piece called View Southern unfair. This opinion amazed me. Since when is Bebo Norman an insult? Or is it the fact that we are treating our guests with "Southern Hospitality" that the author of this article found to be so unfair? I would think that when one is going to write something for a newspaper, he or she would do a little bit of research into his or her topic. This is not the only contemporary Christian concert Southern is hosting this school year, or even this semester. Faith First and Phillips Craig and Dean are also booked to come. Bebo Norman is also an extra concert - an extra blessing. It deserves our thanks and appreciation. The tickets for the concert were available right up until 4:15 PM of the day of the concert. Not many concerts are that easy to get tickets for, not to mention being free.

So if, because of the article last week, you wondered, "what is the school doing for paying students?" my answer is simple. Southern

Adventist University is providing the students with a quality Saturday Adventist education. They are getting our money's worth. Take a moment and think about the View Southern visitors who came onto our campus and gave up an accent and read this question. How would we have reacted when we came onto this big imposing campus and found ourselves unwanted?

What bothered me about this article was not the lack of knowledge but instead it was silly selfishness that some students here at Southern from mature adults. The fact that maturity is not a magical place everyone crosses when turning 18 or 21, but instead it is a process. See the whole picture. It is when we are able to put ourselves before ourselves that we are ready and mature enough to be responsible.

On behalf of a larger portion of the student body, thank you for the concert. And View Southern, we hope that you had a great time and we will see you again.

Ben Martin

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT Opinion

We welcome your opinions

Dear Readers,

I feel that it is necessary to clarify the reasoning behind our decision to place Laura Gonmoll's letter "View Southern unfair" on the opinion page of last week's Accent. Editor Noah Boatwright and I have received phone calls and e-mails from faculty and staff who believe our placement of this article was poorly timed. From a public relations standpoint, I see where these people are coming from. As a journalist, I would beg to differ.

There are several reasons why we decided to run Laura's opinion. Although you may not think so, printing Laura's opinion could not have been more appropriately timed. Her thoughts were pertinent to the week's events and were representative of the feelings of part of the student body.

While the Accent is liable for incorrect information that may sneak onto the news pages, the

opinion page is different. There is absolutely no way that every opinion can be edited for factual validity. That is why the word "opinion" graces the header of this page. If a person contributes an opinion without first doing their homework it reflects poorly on the writer. Our job as editors is not to censor opinions, but to present all sides of the argument as best we can.

The Southern Accent is not a public relations tool. If our publication can be used for that purpose, then far be it from Accent staff to purposely stand in the way.

Our purpose is stated in our masthead. It reads, "Laura's voice since 1926." Laura's thoughts, whether or not they were the thoughts of the student majority, were still part of the student voice.

If you disagree with something that has been printed on the editorial or opinion pages, it is in fine

to call and discuss this matter with us but your effort will be better suited if you write a response.

Our suggestion is to write an opinion of your own. We would like to thank Bev Rawson for doing just this. Ms. Rawson read Laura's opinion, did not like when it was run, and wrote us a letter stating so. Although we do not agree with her assertion that we should not have published the column when we did, like Laura's, Ms. Rawson's letter is printed for all to read.

If you write us an opinion, as editors, we will do our best to print an objective debate on the topic you feel strongly about.

Tim Jester
Managing Editor

Letter to the Editor Was Bermudez correct?

Dear editor,

I know that this might be the 20th letter you may be reading about this article [YG Music: Bedlam or noise], but I think that there is power in numbers. I tried talking to Andrew Bermudez myself, but he wasn't there. I also understand that this is an opinion column. My concern is that he wrote that he wouldn't be biased to any group, and right after that he mentioned a specific group and also made a comment on their spiritual lives and the way they witness. He needs to understand that not everyone worships God in the same manner that he does, and everyone has their own way of

witnessing and bringing people into the ministry. He also states that "it is His job to judge their offering," yet he's judging this specific group. While I understand that this is an opinion column, that it doesn't reflect the views of the Accent, and that there is freedom of speech, it seems that when the "opinion" of someone is affecting or hurting the lives of those involved, it should have some form of question and thought before being published. The article was biased against the group mentioned. Thank you for your time and God bless you and your crew.

Yerika Del Valle

"Ng" what?

Mervyn No
Opinion Columnist

What is probably the most common question that people ask you when they first meet you? "What's your name? Where do you come from? What did you do go to? Where do you live? What's your telephone number? How old are you?" These are all really good questions. However, people always seem ask me the same questions. "How do you pronounce your last name? What kind of name is that? Why isn't there a vowel in it? Why is it so short? What does it stand for? It's said to think that people, really don't want to get to know me. They just want a good riddle to go home with, so that they can sit around in a circle and laugh with their friends.

So, I've decided to clear up all this confusion. My last name is not pronounced "Nigg." There isn't a vowel in it because my grandparents were so poor they didn't have enough money to buy a vowel. In fact, they were so poor they couldn't afford any other letters either. I don't blame them. You should check

out their first names.

Ng doesn't stand for anything although it could stand for "Not a Gigolo." Most people find it quite amusing to make fun of my last name. I don't think it's rather cruel. I've been cursed with a terribly short yet extremely difficult-to-pronounce last name. Girls don't want to have anything to do with me because they don't want to end up being "Mrs. No-one-can-pronounce-my-last-name."

Occasionally, when I order a pizza from Papa John's, I tell them that my last name is Fernandez in order to avoid any confusion. If I say my last name, they usually get all confused and think that someone is trying to play a joke on them. After so many years of explaining and explaining, I've resulted in spelling out my last name. When people ask me for my last name, I'll tell them that it's spelled, "N and a G." After which they ask without fail, "That's it?" With that I reply, "Yeah, that's pretty much it... for now."

ANDREW BERMUDEZ
Opinion Columnist

September 11, 2001 - it was a day that changed our nation in an unbelievable way. It reminded us that we aren't alone on this planet, that there are a lot of people that have nothing but hatred for our freedom-loving nation. It brought on a war in Afghanistan. It turned ordinary people into extraordinary heroes and martyrs. And it turned many of the rest of us into flag-waving patriots. We were all reminded of how important our country is to each of us.

But while we were waving our flags, the government decided something needed to be done to prevent future attacks on our nation like the ones suffered on that fateful morning. Naturally, the way to prevent attacks would seem to be more security. So Ashcroft & Co. over in the Justice Department decided they would ask for special

new powers for the FBI and CIA, ostensibly to help fight terrorism. And like the good citizens that they are, members of Congress gladly agreed to these requests in the form of the USA Patriot Act. Now the government had the tools it said it needs to fight the terrorists who might be hiding among us.

There ought to have been earthquakes over John C. Calhoun's grave. Remember the Calhoun Doctrine? (If you missed my article describing it, Calhoun once made a famous statement, "Our Union, next to our liberties most dear," which should remind us even today that our freedom is the most important principle upon which our nation must stand.) It seems that the importance of protecting our liberties and Constitutional right to privacy was sadly neglected as the Patriot Act made its way from Ashcroft's

dreams to Bush's desk.

When you actually sit down and study this piece of legislation, you realize that it gives the government many powers that can easily be used to fight enemies other than terrorists. Its provisions have likely already been used to fight crime and perhaps even the drug trade. All the FBI has to do to invoke these powers is state that the information gathered is being used to protect national security, and no one - not even a judge and jury - can stop them. They can tap your phones, read your email, or even track what books you checked out of your local library, and there's nothing you or anyone else can do about it. Does that scare you? "Why should it?" you might ask in reply. "I'm not a terrorist or a criminal, so what would they want to know about me?" Next time we'll look at one possible answer.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT SPORTS

Kobe Bryant at the crossroads

MARK GUNTHER
STAFF WRITER

In Colorado, when someone is convicted of the crime of rape, they can be incarcerated from anywhere between four years to life imprisonment. Kobe Bryant has been accused by a 19-year-old Colorado woman of sexual assault which allegedly took place at the Lodge & Spa at Cordillera in Edwards, Colorado. Bryant claimed that the intercourse was consensual and the only crime he is guilty of is adultery. His wife has supported him fully in this matter.

Already magnified by Bryant's star status, several disturbing incidents, including an alleged liaison looking to kill Bryant's accuser have made an already media-saturated case become a near O.J. Simpson-like debacle. Whether or not Bryant is proven guilty, the issue will tarnish his career, although if he is convicted, the effects will put the title hopes of the LA Lakers in jeopardy, even with the strategic off-season moves they made. The Lakers use Kobe Bryant

as the centerpiece for their offense and his absence will have a huge effect on their chances to compete in the talent-ridden Western Conference.

NBA commissioner David Stern has said he would like Bryant to participate in the upcoming season, but the smart money seems to be on the opinion that Bryant will be too preoccupied by the trial to play at all. Analysts have also wondered about Bryant's image as a result of these allegations and subsequent future trial. We should look to Baltimore Ravens linebacker Ray Lewis, as an example of what might happen in Bryant's case. Although Lewis was acquitted for withholding evidence from state prosecutors in a murder case back in 2000, Lewis's image and reputation in the NFL are just beginning to improve.

The future for Kobe Bryant is both uncertain and unavoidable. He will go to trial, rape in the first degree, but how he will emerge from the proceedings is anybody's guess.



Teammates stand around and watch a game.

Photo by Marcella Colborn

Madrique - forfeit Clarke - win

ETHAN NKANA
STAFF WRITER

Tuesday night's contest featuring Madrique and Clarke ended in a forfeit after the mandatory 10 minute waiting period expired. Madrique suffered the forfeit when the team minimum of seven players failed to arrive. The forfeit was due to scheduling conflicts with many of the players on the team. The loss drops Madrique to a tie for first place with the Dirty Dozen, who both have a record of 5-1. Clarke's victory improves their record to 5-2 and gives them the third place slot for the All Night Softball tournament.



Photo by Marcella Colborn



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If you are interested in writing for the sports page, please contact our sports editor Ethan Nkana.

Baseball review

DAN GRANT
STAFF WRITER

The World Series is quickly approaching as September comes to an end, but before all the excitement begins, the wild card race is the spark before the blaze. The Major League Baseball playoffs are in full swing for the past month and things are really beginning to heat up.

Today I'm going to focus more on the teams who are literally battling for survival, because unlike earlier in the season, every game really does count. Teams are anywhere from 1 game to 3 games out of the picture and a loss could start fall vacation rather than expected.

Because the MLB season is so long, casual fans do not care to pay much attention to the season and may lose track of their favorite team's progress. The wild card in baseball is a fairly new operation and caused some controversy when first introduced, but it has accomplished what the Commissioners office was hoping it would. It creates excitement with the fans as teams battle for the last playoff spots. The NY Yankees, Minnesota, Oakland, Atlanta and San Francisco are in the playoffs and have won their respective divisions.

The Cubs, Cards and the Astros are battling for the National League Central Division title which would

automatically put the winner in the playoffs. Meanwhile, Florida, Philadelphia, Houston, Los Angeles, Boston and Seattle are fighting for the two wild card spots that are available in their respective leagues.

Whether you're an avid baseball enthusiast, or just a casual fan, you need to tune in to the playoffs because they're going to be the hottest thing since All Night Softball.

NFL picks

MAURICE MAYNARD
STAFF WRITER

Minnesota Vikings Head Coach Mike Tice has been preaching the same sermon since the beginning of the season: Defense, defense and more defense. With week five quickly approaching, the Vikings are on top of their game preparing to face the Vicksburg-Atlanta Falcons. With many questions stirring up about Dante Culpepper's back condition, it will be nothing short of amazing to see him come out on the field bailing like he was before that crucial hit to his backside. Also keep an eye on Peeter Price, the go-to wide receiver for the Falcons, who has not gotten

enough catches for the plot contract they gave him. Hopefully, Doug Johnson will be able to create some big plays that will help pull the Falcons out of their slump, but I highly doubt that will be the case.

The New York Giants hosting the Miami Dolphins will be a chance for Eric Moulds to get revenge on the very tough tight end, Jeremy Shockey. This contest promises to be a pulse-racing game where the Giants will have to have a serious game plan to put the brakes on the Miami Running back Ricky Williams. Moulds, who was tormented by the tenacious Dolphins' defense, will have to travel 200 miles south of Buffalo to Giants stadium to watch defensive end

Michael Strahan do some serious damage to Miami's offense. Tiki Barber, the Giants starting running back, has his legs well-rested from their bye week, and Anant Toomer expects to have an explosive game displaying his innovative catching skills. Despite my high hopes for the Dolphins this week, I have to say they will be tested in a way that will catch them off guard, so I don't think Ricky will be able to step up and make the big plays in the fourth quarter.

Jumping back to the subject of defense, let's direct this to Monday night's big game with Indianapolis Colts against the determined Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Payton Manning, starting quarterback, will

be looking for his passing arm to be crisp and precise straight to the man Marvin Harrison who has been fairly quiet lately. Ed McCaffrey can gain at least 50 yards against the most stout defense in the league. The Colts still hungry and will stop at nothing to make it back to the Super Bowl. Warren Sapp, defensive tackle, caught his first career touchdown as a tight end and a couple weeks will most definitely be on fire hurting someone as always. You enjoy the crucial hits, the able runs, and spectacular plays without missing a breath. Line time, it's a WRAP!



the campus chatter

Week of: October 2-October 8

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WEEK OF OCT 2 - OCT 9

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2

- 11:00 a.m. Convocation - Latin American Heritage
Club/Dept. Student Organization President's Orientation
(Presidential Banquet Room)
8:00 p.m. 360° (Student Park)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3

- 7:22 p.m. Sunset
8:00 p.m. Vespers - Latin American Heritage (Church)

Payday

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4

- 9:00 a.m. Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
The Third - Mike Fulbright (Jles)
10:00 a.m. "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
10:00 a.m. "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)
11:30 a.m. Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
11:40 a.m. The Third Sabbath School (Upstairs Seminar Room at the Church)
2:00 p.m. Street Ministries (In front of Wright Hall)
7:00 p.m. Evensong (Church)
9:00 p.m. LAC Night (Jles)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5

- 11:00 a.m. 20th Annual Sunbelt Cohutta Springs Triathlon Registration
12:30 p.m. 20th Annual Sunbelt Cohutta Springs Race Begins
5:30 p.m. Employee Boat Ride

Tennessee River Rescue/Wolfwater Creek

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

- 12:00 p.m. Community Service Day Meeting (Presidential Banquet Room #2)
3:30 p.m. Academic Affairs

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7

- 6:00 p.m. Tornado Siren Test
7:00 p.m. Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

- 8:00 a.m. LSAT Exam (Student Center)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

- 11:00 a.m. Convocation - Fouad Moughrabi (Jles)

Society of Adventist Communicators, Orlando FL (9-12)

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Graduating Seniors: Please fill out the yellow senior application and return it no later than October 1 to the Records & Advisement Office front counter. If you didn't get one in the mail you will need to stop by and pick one up.

ACT EXAM: The next ACT exam is Friday, October 10, at 8:00 a.m. Call Counseling & Testing at 2782 to sign up. The fee is \$30. There will not be another exam until December.

Evensong will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Collegedale Church.

Triathlon: The 20th Annual Sunbelt Cohutta Springs Triathlon is scheduled for October 5, at Cohutta Springs in Crandall, Georgia. The course consists of a 1/2 mile swim, 18 mile bike ride, and 4 mile run. Applications for this event are available in the PE Center and in the Student Services office. The cost is \$30 for individuals and \$50 for a relay team if the payment and

application are sent to the Office of Student Life & Activities by Sept. 26. Late Registration is \$40/individual and \$60 for relay team until Oct. 3. Race day prices are \$45/individual and \$65 relay team. On race day, registration begins at 11 a.m., pre-race instructions will be held at 12:15 p.m., and the Race Begins at 12:30 p.m. For last year's race results, map of course, or more information, visit us online at <http://pe.south.edu/utramar> and click on Triathlon. Questions? Contact Phil Garver ext. 2850 or Karl Shultz ext. 2484.

Senior Class Organization Meeting Rescheduled: The Senior Class Organization will be held November 4, 2003, in Brock Hall Room 332 instead of October 7, 2003. Please note this change on your calendar and come prepared to elect your senior class officers.

DEEP Sabbath: Come join us in fellowship Sabbath, Oct. 11, with our friends at Oakwood College. If you need transportation, please sign up at the SA Office.

Japanese Taikoza is a New York based Japanese drum group that uses the powerful rhythms of the Taiko drums to create an electrifying energy that carries audiences in a new dimension of excitement. Come hear the group Thursday night, October 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ackerman Auditorium. ***CONVOCATION CREDIT GIVEN***

CAMPUS MINISTRIES

360°: A revolutionary way to worship - Come and enjoy Christian Fellowship at the Student Park Thursday, October 2, at 8:00 p.m. It is a big event that you won't want to miss!

Vespers will begin at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, October 3, in the church.

Sabbath Schools:

10:00 a.m. - "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity room)

10:00 a.m. - "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)

11:40 a.m. - The Third Sabbath

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School (Upstairs Seminar Room at the Church)

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Student Mission Application packets are ready at the Chaplain's Office. If you are interested in serving as a Student Missionary or Taskforce Volunteer next year, please stop by and pick up an application packet. Choices of places to go are best the earlier you apply, so don't wait. Come in soon to get your packet.

CLUBS & DEPARTMENTS

The School of Visual Art & Design at Southern Adventist University is proud to host the graphic and poetic works of artist/printmaker/poet/composer Malcolm Graeme Childers. "Roadsongs: A Journey into the Life and Landscapes of an American Artist" is a collection of richly detailed relief etchings created during Mr. Childers' tenure as professor at Southern. This will be the first time the entire thirty-piece collection will be seen in one place. The collection opens to the public in the Brock Hall Gallery at 7:00 p.m. on October 25th. The reception will include audio presentations by the artist, as well as a signing and readings from the artist's collectible book based on the exhibition. "Roadsongs" will remain on display through November 7th. For more information, visit art.south.edu

The French Club is hosting a movie night this Saturday night October 4 at 7:00 p.m. in Dr Van Gilt's home. The movie will follow the community to come, see and participate in airport activities. For directions or transportation contact Lauren Sengele at ex. 2549

COMMUNITY SERVICE

If you're interested in being the brains behind the theme, focus and organization of Community Service Day 2004, please meet this MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, at NOON in Presidential Banquet Room #2 next to the cafeteria, or contact Rachelle Kerr at rakerr@south.edu or 238-2723.

Community

Announcements

Collegedale, Tenn.
Collegedale Airport Hosts Annual Open House

On Sunday, October 12, from 10 a.m.-6p.m., Collegedale Airport will host its annual open house for the community to come, see and participate in airport activities. This is the community's chance to see and learn about Collegedale's "hidden gem"

Come to the Collegedale Airport at 5100 Bass Moore Road. The entire Collegedale, Chattanooga area is invited.

R. Bryan Stitzer
Your Friendly Neighborhood Humor Editor
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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT HEADLINE

What REALLY Happened with the Birds and Bees

SHAVON VASQUEZ
Humor Columnist

There are a lot of things in life that I question. Like why 95% of the Southern Adventist University population wears flip flops, or when's the last time Southern cleaned out the fountain in front of Lynn Wood Hall? Above all, though, the question I have asked myself most in life is what **REALLY** is the story of the birds and the bees? Now before you get all worked up, I don't mean what does the story mean, but what is the actual story? My friends and I got into this discussion once at the lunch table and out of the 6 or 7 people sitting there, no one knew. So we started calling people over. First, there was Klehr, who simply gave Jon a weird look when she asked. Then Michael, who laughed and shrugged. The day continued on and we asked shorthanded people and got nothing.

After a while, I sat down to ponder the question over a bag of Cheetos (because all tough questions should be pondered over food) and could come up with no real explanation. Is there really a

story of the birds and the bees, or did someone just make up a saying that just became popular, and if so, who thought of that? I mean...bees don't really...mate. They have 1 queen bee and she's the baby queen hater. Then there are birds, which do mate, but I mean...**REALLY**. They lay eggs. Should we really talk to children about that? They might get confused! In any case, my bag of Cheetos quickly disappeared and left me with orange fingers, a dry mouth, and no answers. Finally, I decided to call up my friend Jeremy and ask him. He's a smart guy, he reads a lot. Surely he'd have some insight. So I rang him up and exchanged pleasantries and finally asked him, "Jeremy, what's the story of the birds and the bees?" After a pause, and a bit of throat clearing, he responded, "Shavon, isn't this something you should talk to your parents about?"

I sighed and explained again I already knew what the story was ABOUT, but I wanted to know the story. "Oooooohhhhhhh!" he said, "I understand." And he told me the story. Here it is (slightly para-

phrased) in case you were curious too...

One day a bird named Franko was walking down the sidewalk when he looked ahead and saw a very pretty bee named Philomena. They passed each other, looked, then did the elevator eyes. So they noticed the obvious attraction and he said, "Hey baby." She replied with a shy, "Hello." It didn't take long for them to realize that, for obvious reasons, the relationship wasn't going to work. Their parents were against it, they had different beliefs, she was a vegetarian, he wasn't, different languages, etc. All those type of things. So to make a long story short, it didn't work out for poor Franko and Philomena.

So, bet you're shocked! All along we thought the story was about...ya know...mating, but really what parents mean when they say, "Let me tell you 'bout the birds and the bees," they're really trying to tell us how much love sinks sometimes E-specially if the person you like, doesn't seem to return your affections.

Insightful insights

by Jon Paine

If a tree falls on a man in the woods and no one is around to hear his crys for help, does he really make a sound?

WORD SEARCH

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Happiness the Weird Way - Top Ten Ways to Stay Awake in a Boring Class

BECKY WHITMORE
ADD Humor Editor

I have noticed a distinct lack of happiness in the world today, especially around our beloved campus. People seem to be far too caught up in classes, work, their social lives, and all that other stuff. Now don't get me wrong, we should be focusing on those things. But we seem to have lost some of our childish focus on fun for the sake of fun. Our basic idea of fun seems to have changed since we were kids. Remember when it used to be fun to stick a pencil in your ear? Okay, I never did it either but I know some kids who did and thought it

was hilarious (of course, that could be because of the resulting brain damage...).

What I'm trying to say here is, it might be a good idea to try to have fun some of the ways we used to. I don't know about you guys, but my brothers and sister and I (along with a bunch of other kids) used to love listening to the musical stylings of Weird Al Yankovic. You know, the guy who makes parodies of existing songs? Yeah, that's him - the guy who came up with "Anish Paradise", among other things. This guy's a genius! I mean, yeah, it's fun to sing along with regular songs about "La Bamba" and how "I

Want It That Way." But it's even more fun to sing about "Lasagna" and "eBay." Not to mention how "I Love Rocky Road" and the fact that "I Think I'm a Clone Now." And don't even get me started on "I Lost on Jeopardy" and "King of Suede." This man has helped to make me happy since my childhood. That's a big deal to me: something that has always had the ability to make me happy. I've just got to recommend it to everybody out there. That said, I'm gonna go focus on "Phony Calls," "Alimony," and how "The Saga Begins" and find happiness the Weird way.

R. BRYAN STITZER
YOUR FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD HUMOR EDITOR

10. Picture the teacher without their wig (be careful, as this can keep you awake longer than you wish).
9. Balance your book on the edge of your desk so that if you do for even a second, it will fall to the floor, making a large booming noise (this one not only helps keep you awake, it also assists others in doing this endeavor).
8. Try to use the force to move the hands on the clock faster (and you must).
7. Attempt to alert the teacher of their boringness by using your tongue to send a message in Morse code (if the teacher replies, they're not as boring as you thought!).
6. Sneak in a herring and slap yourself with it when you feel your lids get heavy.
5. Hold a cock fight in the back of the class (bet loudly).
4. Simply realize that if you do fall asleep, the clowns will eat you.
3. I am not kidding about the clowns.
2. Compose a list of ten funny things and then, after class, subject the Accent 'cause, dang it, I am lazy: I don't want to do it every week AND THE NUMBER ONE THING THAT WILL KEEP YOU AWAKE IN A BORING CLASS IS: Take notes and concentrate on the content. It truly will make a world of difference).

Duck Pond



by Justin Janetzko

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Student Senate convenes

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On Wednesday, October 1, the Student Association Senate met for over one and a half hours in the first full meeting this term to lay the foundation for what looks to be an eventful year. Four senators were absent during role call, but sooner or later trickled in to take their seats. After a brief worshiping, the Senate took care of some housekeeping issues.

Money was collected from one of the current fundraisers, the Win/Win cards. These savings cards provide discounts at many local businesses, and can be purchased from the SA for \$5.

Fall Festival was also mentioned and is planned to take place on the 20th of this month. Another event in the works that could possibly happen sooner than Fall Festival is called "Something Hot on the Promenade." Executive Vice President Jessie Landess introduced the event to the SA, and described it as something comparable to doughnut day, except with hot drinks rather than doughnuts. After a short discussion, a unanimous vote passed this event.

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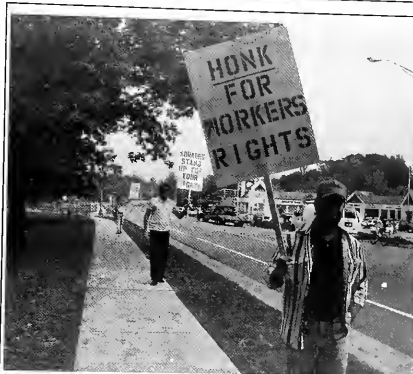


Photo by Angela Carter

Yerbey cement company employees and their families picketed on university drive across the street from Fleming Plaza where Yerbey Trucks were delivering concrete for the continuing construction of the Talge add-on.

The picketers were protesting Yerbey's meager health plan that only covers immediate employees and asking the company to expand its coverage to include their families.

The picketers said they thought of Southern as an upstanding institution in the community and asked passing students and members of the community to support their requests for better health coverage.

Police silence Shindig

SETH BLANCHARD
STAFF WRITER

Hundreds of Southern students were told to vacate a party this weekend after police received calls complaining that the music was getting too loud.

Hamilton County sheriff's deputies became concerned early Saturday night when a small stretch of Bill Reed Rd. began looking like a parking lot. Police continued to ask students to move their cars over a series of four visits. Noise complaints by numerous neighbors finally silenced the "Shindig" at 10:30 p.m.

"This was the first time we received complaints," said Shawnessey Cargile, senior religious studies major and event organizer. This year marked the fifth installment of the alcohol-free "Jim Snidters Shindig."

"The purpose of the [Shindig] is to show us kids that we can party, and remember it the next day," said Cargile. He said the party promotes Christian fellowship and a "substance-free lifestyle."

"It's all about vespers, food, socializing and karaoke," said Julie Clarke, junior broadcasting major, who was attending her second Shindig. Guests paid a \$5.00 cover to help cushion the investment in sodas and veggie-meat.

An "8 mile"-esque freestyle showdown featuring Mishla Birmeke, a graphic design sophomore, and John Kloosterhuis, a character animation senior, had hardly kicked off when the police arrived and took control of the mic. Officers asked disappointed shindigers to leave before they could exercise their right to karaoke.

Cargile estimated that more than 300 students

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Police chief terminated by city manager

DANE TAYLOR
STAFF WRITER

College-dale Police Chief Gary Will was fired early Tuesday morning. City Manager Carol Mason handed Will a letter informing him of his termination, city officials said.

"I have nothing to comment," Mason told the Accent. But she added, "a change of management" is needed at this time.

Will said that he is disappointed that he is no longer working for the city. He still isn't

sure why the city fired him. Will also is concerned that, "there are no protections for employees in the city of College-dale" when a new city manager is brought on board.

Last month, City Commissioners fired City Manager Bert Colledge and replaced him with Mason, a former city treasurer.

"Chief Will, in my opinion, is a highly qualified police officer and he served our city well," said Mayor Bill Hulsey.

"If I had to give a single cause for his dismissal it would have to be that he may have

been over-qualified for our small town and was building a stronger police department than some of our leaders were comfortable with and more expensive than some were willing to pay," Hulsey said.

Commissioner John Turner said he didn't know all the reasons for Will's termination.

"It would have been nice to see what Gary Will could have done with the department," Turner said. He and other commissioners continue to support Ms. Mason.

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Photo by Jacobus Bessy
Dr. Blazis speaks towards the front line of the Shindig. See more on page 10.

"I do not feel obliged to believe that the same God who has endowed us with sense, reason, and intellect has intended us to forgo their use."

- Galileo

Chief fired

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Turner added that he would like to see promotion from within the department in filling the police chief position and also said that it is too early to tell if anyone is ready or willing to take the job.

Li Dennis Cramer has been named interim police chief because of his senior ranking in the department.

Former City Manager Coolidge said the chief's termination was a tragedy for the city as well as being bad for the force. The commission does not override the city manager



Former police chief Will photo contributed in matters of hiring and firing city employees, Coolidge said.



Shindig

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attended the party held on the front lawn of he and his roommates' house.

Readers may wonder how 1 in 8 students could attend the Jim Smithers Shindig without the reader ever hearing about it. Cargile says that invitations were sent out to those who had attended in the past with orders to invite random people and friends.

Cargile and the fifteen other support staff are still deciding

whether another installment will take place in the spring.

Campus safety takes action to prevent theft on campus

JESSICA RUSSELL
STAFF WRITER

Campus Safety will oversee a mandatory backpack check-in service during convocation on Thursdays in an attempt to crack down on theft.

Last semester, three Southern students were apprehended for stealing backpacks. Eddie Avant, director of campus safety, reported that 17

backpacks have been stolen since April.

In response to the thefts, Campus Safety plans to implement a system where students will check in their backpacks prior to convocation. Four tables will be stationed to receive the backpacks.

Each student will receive a tag with a number on it that corresponds to an identical tag attached to his or her book bag. The student can only pick up his or her bag if he or she presents the proper tag.

However, backpacks can be stolen at many different times according to Bonnie Myers, a

Student Shop employee. She says students should be cautious about leaving their valuables unattended anytime, not just during convocation, but in the cafeteria and other places on campus as well.

Upon the disappearance of his book bag last year, Pavel Rutherford, senior accounting major, remarked that having his books stolen "was a hassle because I spent so much time looking for the bag. I didn't think it had been stolen at first."

Avant says the first place you should go if you cannot find your backpack is Campus Safety. Often, they pick up stray backpacks that are

left behind after convocation.

If the bag is indeed stolen, Myers, then proceed to the Campus Shop to inform them of your situation.

"If someone reports a bag [stolen] we actively look for it," Myers said. She advises students write their names in every book, perhaps put a secret sign somewhere else to establish it as yours (e.g., a random page number in a book). That way, individual's books are easily identifiable.

Avant hopes to have the new bag check-in system in place after Mid-term break.

Meningitis causes concerns

ETHAN NIKANA
STAFF WRITER

On July 1, 2003, the state of Tennessee passed a new law requiring all college students to read and sign the Meningococcal Meningitis Vaccination forms. Health service officials at Southern Adventist University said that many students have either opted to waive the vaccination or have neglected to return completed forms.

According to MSN Health, bacterial Meningitis "results in the swelling of the brain tissue and in some cases, the spinal tissue, [allowing] less blood and oxygen to reach brain cells."

Bacterial Meningitis is a very rare, although potentially life-threatening disease. "About 3,000 Americans nationwide get it; 100 to 125 students on university campuses get it, and approximately 5-15 students nationwide die annually," said Sylvia Hyde, director of health Services.

About one in 10 Americans dies from bacterial Meningitis, and if not promptly treated with the proper antibiotics, a healthy adult can die in less than 48 hours. One in five of those infected with Meningitis will suffer permanent brain damage, hearing loss or limb amputation. Meningitis can be spread by



Stacey Beardley takes preventative measures

droplets of respiratory secretions (sneezing or coughing), or by coming into direct contact with someone who is infected. The Meningitis vaccination form states that, "11 percent of the people in the population may be carriers who acquire natural antibodies." Simply put, some of the people who are infected with bacterial Meningitis may not have any physical symptoms.

The symptoms for Meningitis are similar to those of the common flu: fever, severe headache, stiff neck and dizzy spells. The Meningitis bacteria is usually most active at the same time of the year as the flu bug.

Recently, two students from University of Georgia were the to be infected with bacterial Meningitis. Two students were hospitalized with suspected cases of bacterial Meningitis, but the risk from both students came back negative for the bacteria," said Konenamp, coordinator of affairs at the University of Georgia.

The Meningitis vaccination administered here at Southern the Department for Health Services for \$70. The vaccination is approximately 85-99 percent effective in prevention of Meningitis. Meningitis.

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DEEP Sabbath will be held at Oakwood College this semester. This annual event joins Southern and Oakwood students together in a day of worship, fellowship and diversity.

"We want to encourage all students to go," said Kari Shultz, Director of Student Life and Activities. "It is a wonderful opportunity to visit our sister institution each year."

The all-day event will take place on Saturday, October 11 and is open to everyone who wishes to go. Students are allowed to take personal cars, yet anyone needing transportation can sign up by the Student Association office door in the

Student Center.

Buses will be leaving from the Wright Hall front steps at 8:30 a.m. and will return at 8:30 p.m. the same evening.

Interaction and participation from both colleges will be emphasized during the worship service and activities. The Black Christian Union Choir will be performing and two other Southern students will be providing special music.

"I went to DEEP Sabbath last year when it was held here at Southern," said Richmond Carter, social work major. "I really enjoyed the worship music, and just chilling with all my African-American brothers."

DEEP is an acronym for Diversity Educational Exchange

Oakwood will host upcoming DEEP Sabbath

Program. In past years, students were given a chance to have a culturally diverse experience as they transferred to Oakwood Southern for a semester. Although the program is no longer active, the aura of DEEP still promotes diversity by planning events that are around themes of unity as expressed under God.

"It is a terrific time to get to know other people," said Paul B. Student Association President. "[Oakwood's] campus displays a love that comes from ours. It's a sincere, I would call it, 'I love you'."

Oakwood will also have Southern on March 20 for joint worship. Hoover says that plans have already been made for the later event.

International students face difficulties

MICHAEL YOUNKIN
STAFF WRITER

International students coming to Southern have found it difficult to enter the United States since the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. But even with tighter restrictions, roughly 190 students obtained student visas to study at Southern.

There are 26 countries targeted almost with discrimination for people leaving their country," said Elaine de Souza, Transition Services Coordinator.

Once a student gets his or her visa, he or she has ten days to open a file with all his or her documents.

Taikoza performs

AMANDA JENKE
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Ackerman Auditorium filled quickly Thursday night with students in store for a concert unlike any Southern Adventist University has ever seen before.

So many people turned out to see the Japanese percussion group Taikoza that many stood in the back, sat in the balconies and even listened from the lobby.

"It was the most packed I have ever seen it!" said music major Alicia Runnals, who handed out conversation cards at the concert.

The lively audience was a perfect setting for the traditional Japanese music of Taikoza. Pieces performed ranged from very loud, high-paced rhythms played on large drums called Taikos to calmer melodies played on various Japanese flutes.

Senate

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Rachelle Kerr addressed the Senate in regards to this year's Community Service Day, which is scheduled to take place on April 8, 2004, is a day free from school when students may participate in several various community service activities in the Chattanooga area. Kerr appealed to Senators to support and lead out in the many responsibilities involved in Community Service Day. Several Senators volunteered to participate.

Discussion of the SA budget took up the majority of the meeting. SA Finance Director Nick Henson introduced the budget along with SA President Paul Hoover. The 2003-2004 SA budget totals around \$280,000. Handouts were given to each Senator showing exactly where the money was being allocated, and several items were discussed.

The SA is allocating more money for technical upgrades for the Jockey and Strawberry Festival staff.

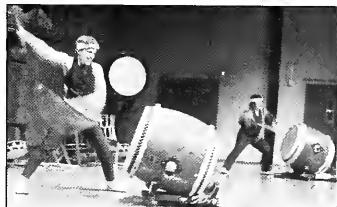
If this is not done promptly, there is a chance he or she might be arrested and subsequently deported.

This year Southern brought in an attorney to talk to international students about procedural changes.

Work is another problem for international students. They are only permitted to work a maximum of 20 hours per week, and they must have an on-campus job.

"International students have 90 days to return to their country or obtain proper paperwork for a work permit in the United States upon graduation.

"If you closed your eyes, you could almost be in Japan. But then you opened them, and they were just up there having fun," said music major Cheryl Williams. "The structure of the music is so different than what we are used to. The only word I can think of to



Japanese percussion group Taikoza performs for an energetic audience.

Photo by Jacques Seely

According to the report heard by the Senators, much of the technical equipment used by these entities is out of date or over-used. Several Senators questioned the necessity of purchasing new computers and cameras.

Presentation of the budget continued with further debate until K.R. Davis questioned SA appropriations for the Valentine's Banquet. Currently, \$18,000 of SA funds is allocated for the banquet, of which \$11,500 comes directly from the SA budget, and \$6,500 comes from revenues.

K.R., followed by several Senators, questioned why so much money was dedicated to an event to which many students chose not to attend. President Hoover noted that the SA budget allocation of \$11,500 helps keep the cost of the tickets low—approximately \$15 per ticket.

The Senate meeting closed with a proposal by Anthony Vera Cruz for a Southern Village Newsletter.

Jason Kucma is a Third-Year student from Medford, N.J. He graduated from Ithaca College with a Bachelor's Degree in Exercise Physiology concentrating in Cardiac Rehabilitation.

"The only thing that has ever captured my attention was studying the human body. The more I learned in school, the more I needed to know. The most logical step for me was to become a Doctor of Chiropractic so I could truly help people."

Before making his decision to attend Logan, Jason visited nearly half of the chiropractic colleges in the United States. "Logan is in the perfect location in a safe, residential area. The Admissions staff are very friendly and helpful and the faculty are excellent."

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describe it is intense."

Students were caught up in these unfamiliar, yet riveting, sounds. During one piece, "Eisa," the leader of the group dressed up as Hayakoko, a comic Japanese character. During his routine, he pulled people from the audience to bang on the drums. Students

received loud cheers as they mimicked the wild gestures of the performers.

"It's easy to play when we receive so much energy from the audience," said Toni Yasami, a member of Taikoza.

The audience was indeed held captive.

"Forget convocation credit!" said freshman Brian Rabuka. "That was sweet!"

After receiving a standing ovation, Taikoza allowed eager students to try their hand at beating the big drums. Such a delighted audience confirmed that Southern students are interested in different cultures.

"Unfortunately, international concerts are rare at this campus," said Dr. Scott Ball, Dean of Music. "I hope to see more of them in the future."

Destiny Reloaded

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STAFF WRITER

For the first time ever, Destiny Drama Company is under professional leadership. Maria Rodriguez-Sager, who teaches Intro to Acting and Directing I, is the restructured group's new director. Destiny has also downsized this year, with a cast of six and a technical crew of seven. Although small, the group plans to use this to increase flexibility and mobility.

Every Tuesday and Thursday evening in Lynn Wood Hall's chapel, the members of Destiny practice different types of mimes and skits. All are Christ-centered and deal with Christian themes such as grace and forgiveness.

"We hope to develop a quality and reputable drama ministry," said Sager. She also added that the group hopes to minister to Adventist associates in the Southern Union.

The Destiny performers also want to develop the ability to effectively work with Chattanooga's

Christian community, performing for local non-denominational churches and introducing people to Christ.

Destiny has at least seven tours scheduled this year, with their first scheduled for Nov. 21-23. A performance for Southern during student week of prayer in January is also planned. Destiny hopes to eventually develop into a national touring group.

Sager feels strongly that drama is very important to students. "Drama is very important because it allows students to explore physical creativity and also stretches people's inhibitions, which is important for self-esteem as they go into the workforce," said Sager.

The students in Destiny are enjoying the changes in the group this year. "I think we are moving in a very positive direction," said Alex Spearman, junior education major and third year Destiny member. "I am very thoroughly enjoying it."

Sager earned a degree in Music Education from Southern and then pursued a degree in theater from the University of Southern

Mississippi. She came back to Southern when her husband, John Sager, accepted the call to be assistant dean of men in 2001.

Future plans for Destiny include more touring opportunities in upcoming years and developing a website that details the group, audition information, and tour dates.



Destiny Drama Company practices

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KEEP YOUR SIDE LIFESTYLES

Catfish Grabblin' The Art of Fishing with your hands

STORY
Continued

Tennessee angler Marty Jenkins ran his hands over the jagged rocks of the Watwass Lake until he found a hole. Glibly he stuck his hand in and immediately, an angry catfish bit his fingers.

"I don't know what it is, but I ain't sticking my hand in that hole again,"

Contemporary Christian artists come to Chattanooga

RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Contemporary Christian music fans will have the opportunity to see several well-known musicians in concert in the Chattanooga area this fall. Shaun Groves, Chris Rice, and Bebo Norman are all performing in Chattanooga within the next two months. Festival on Fire, an annual touring event that features the Newsboys and One, will take place at Camp Jordan on Oct. 13.

Shaun Groves is a six-time Dove Award nominee whose music compares to FTH and Steven Curtis Chapman. He will perform at City Church Oct. 31 with Ginny Owens, Christine Dente, and George Rowe.

1999 Dove Award winner Chris Rice recently released his fourth album, "Run the Earth... Watch the Sky." Rice is known for upbeat songs such as "Deep Enough to Dream" and "Smell the Color 9." His Nov. 7 concert is at 7:30 p.m. at Memorial Auditorium.

Bebo Norman, who performed at Southern recently, will be at Club Fathom Nov. 8. Norman's third album, "Big Blue Sky" was ranked No. 1 on Amazon.com's list of the "Ten Best Christian & Gospel CDs of 2001."

Elayna Boynton, senior history major, is looking forward to seeing both Bebo Norman and Switchfoot in concert this month. She transferred to Southern this year and said one advantage of going to Southern is that there are a lot of concerts in the area.

Boynton said she usually finds out about upcoming concerts by looking at CCM Magazine online (www.ccmcon.com/). Most concert tickets cost about \$12, "but a lot of times if you go to them at churches, they're free," she said.

An extensive listing of Christian concerts can be found at www.christianconcertsonline.com. Users can search the site by artist, event name, city, state or province, venue and zip code radius. The site also includes links to artist's websites.

he said as he jerked his fingers back.

Twenty years ago, Jenkins knew little about "catfish grabbin'," a sport where traditional fishermen abandon their poles to wrestle monstrous fish bare-handed. Today, Jenkins and his friend Robby David spend their summer days stalking these giant catfish.

"I liked the excitement and the unknown about what was in the next hole," said David.

Grabblin' began in the depression era as a lucrative means of catching many fish in a short time, according to Jenkins. David said that after two hours of grabbin' one day, he and Jenkins pulled in over 225 pounds of fish.

"If you can find the holes, it's easy," said Jenkins.

During the summer months of

late May to early July, catfish seek out the warm shallows of Tennessee's lakes and rivers to spawn. After the females lay the eggs, the males stand guard over their developing offspring. If you're a grabbler, this is the moment you live for.

The sport derives its name from the way the fish are caught. A grabbler lands a catfish by wedging his thumbs into the corners of its mouth and hooking his fingers up under the gills, trying to avoid the countless teeth that carpet its jaw. While no sharper than heavy-grade sandpaper, the rows of inward-facing teeth can spell trouble for grabblers. If a fish manages to clamp down on a hand—or worse, an arm—the fish transforms into a buzz saw, gyrating wild-

ly as it attempts to strip the meat from whatever offending appendage it has between its jaws. At best, you'll find a little flesh in the encounter, said David.

"I once had a 40 pound catfish swallow more or less my whole hand," Jenkins said. "Most fish just bite and let go, but this one swallowed my fist... and tried to pull me back into the hole."

However, in spite of this cat's persistence, Jenkins ended up safely on shore with the fish.

"You don't really want to [go alone] because they are big fish, so I always go with friends," said Jenkins.

Many of these enormous fish tip the scales at 40-50 pounds, requiring additional help to wrestle them to shore. This year Jenkins grabbled a

52-pound fish—the largest he's ever caught. Both Jenkins' and David's grabbin' is mostly done for fun, using the catch and release method.

Grabblin' is only effective for a couple of short months, so for fish enthusiasts, it's back to pole-fishing until the early summer when warm weather brings the catfish back to the shallows to spawn once again.

Over the years, Jenkins and David have videoed many of their grabbin' encounters. After receiving media reactions to their footage, Jenkins and his wife, Fostana, compiled eight years of their best grabbin' footage and made it available to the public. More information is available at www.catfishgrabbing.com.

Sleep for Your Health!

LESLIE FRANCIS
GUEST COLUMNIST

Beep, Beep, Beep, Beep, BEEP, BEEP! Does this sound like a familiar nightmare? Every day millions of people wake up to the sound of an alarm clock, only to hit it and roll back over for a couple more minutes of sleep. It is estimated that one in three Americans suffer from chronic sleep deficiencies, but how many of us stop and think about the toll that sleep debt is taking in our lives and in our society?

Getting adequate sleep is just as important to physical health as exercise and nutrition. It not only affects daily functioning but mental, social and spiritual health as well. So what are the consequences of a lack of sleep? Individuals who have just pulled an all-nighter while studying for a test often have slight feelings of dizziness and nausea. Lack of concentration, impaired problem-solving skills, and drowsiness are also common side effects of sleep deprivation, hallucina-

tions and mood swings may develop. Immune system function is also impaired by lack of sleep. Some studies have even shown a link between fewer hours of shut-eye and the development of diabetes, high blood pressure, some forms of cancer, and obesity.

Lack of sleep also has an effect similar to alcohol on the body. In one study, reaction times of tired individuals were worse than those who had a blood alcohol concentration of .08 percent. Essentially, they were legally drunk in many states. Annually, drowsiness has led to over 100,000 traffic accidents and 1,500 fatalities on our highways.

Getting plenty of sleep, on the other hand, has many benefits. People who are well-rested feel more alert and energetic when awake. The rested body has had a chance to repair itself and the immune system will fight off sickness more quickly. Mental functioning, including memory, problem-solving skills, and communication skills, are also improved. Individuals tend to be less irritable

and less stressed when they get enough sleep, contributing to better job and school performance and social interaction.

The amount of sleep each person needs varies. Most experts recommend 7-8 hours per night for adults. One way to determine how much sleep is needed is to answer the following list of questions: Do you feel fully alert all day? Do you fall asleep the second your head hits the pillow? Do you often feel irritable and stressed out? Do you get sleepy in front of the TV or while reading? Anyone who can say "yes" to any of the preceding questions probably needs more sleep.

Naps can help alleviate feelings of tiredness. Twenty to thirty minute naps in the morning to early afternoon are all that are recommended, though. Naps of a longer length will often leave the "napper" with a feeling of grogginess.

Whether or not we get an adequate amount of sleep, following a couple of simple guidelines can

ensure the most benefit out of the period of shut-eye. Exercise daily but 2-3 hours before bedtime. Don't study, read, or watch TV in bed. Leave the bed for sleeping only. Keep a set sleep schedule, even on the weekends! Avoid eating before going to bed. Finally, create a comfortable, quiet, dark sleeping environment for yourself.

As a student with classes, working, work, and other responsibilities such as friends, church, eating, bathing, etc. who is late to sleep? It often seems like none of us do. Individuals who realize that their quality of life is improved by sleep and make a priority, however, are often better rested and actually get more accomplished in their sixteen hours of alertness than those of us that stumble around in a half dazed state for nine hours a day. So is there really any option here? Let's make happiness, and optimal functioning, a priority in our lives!

Rediscover a Classic: "The Chosen" by Chaim Potok

MELISSA TURNER
STAFF WRITER

"For the first fifteen years of our lives, Danny and I lived within five blocks of each other and neither of us knew of the other's existence." At first glance this doesn't appear to be a very exciting opening sentence. It is certainly not as resonating as the "Call me Ishmael" that opens Herman Melville's *Moby Dick*, or the "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times" of Charles Dickens' *A Tale of Two Cities*.

Nevertheless, this simple introductory sentence hooks a lot of meaning when unfolded over the course of Chaim Potok's *The Chosen*. This story of unlikely friendship takes place between two teenage boys from very different Jewish backgrounds. Danny Saunders, an

Orthodox Hasidic Jew and the son of a rabbi, dresses in dark, medieval-style clothing, wears earlocks and a beard, and studies at a Jewish parochial school where the Talmud, the Jewish law, is studied strictly in Yiddish.

The father of Reuven Malter, on the other hand, is a leading speaker and activist for the Zionist movement following the end of World War II. Reuven studies at a Jewish Yeshiva school where the Talmud is studied mostly in Hebrew rather than in Yiddish, and where more English subjects are taught as well.

Traditionally, most Hasidic Jews look down upon Jews such as Reuven and his father. Their differences present the underlying conflict as Danny and Reuven meet for the first time at a face-off during an inter-

scholastic softball game. During the ball game, both boys act in defiance toward one another almost unknowingly, as if an underlying force knows them to stand up against one another even without really thinking about why they do it.

Danny and Reuven's mutual defiance of one another ends with Reuven purposely taking the brunt of a dusty speed pitch thrown intentionally by Danny. Reuven ends up going to the hospital, and a surprise hospital visit opens up a new chapter in the boy's acquaintance with one another. Reuven and Danny learn to put aside their differences and become friends at the advice of Reuven's father. But this resolution is only the beginning of their story.

The story of two young boys overcoming differences to become

real friends becomes an important story of Jewish history, particularly Jewish Hasidic history. Potok's readers desire to delve into the deep, unexplored Jewish history through the eyes of these two young boys and their struggles as they grow up and learn to accept and understand others in a simple yet complex "growing up" story of *The Chosen* speaks to all.

The book is truly a classic. "The Chosen" can be found at library bookstores and online. Additionally, La Sierra University offers an extensive website on the life and work of Chaim Potok. For more information visit:

<http://www.laserra.edu/tpotok/>

/tpotok. Happy Reading!

Higgins collects dragons

BY RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Associate English professor Debbie Higgins is fascinated with Medieval and Renaissance literature. Her office is the home of a variety of medieval objects, including a sword and a collection of small model dragons. "I collect nice dragons," Higgins said.

To her, the mythical beasts represent what a medieval story is all about. "There's always someone who fights a dragon," she said. "To me, that's a good story, when you have a dragon."

Higgins has a B.A. in English education from Columbia Union College and a Master's degree in Rhetoric and Composition from Andrews University. She is currently working toward a Ph.D. in Medieval and Renaissance Literature at Middle Tennessee State University. She has completed her class work but still has to take her last comprehensive examination and write her dissertation.

Higgins scored well on the Old and Middle English sections of her



comprehensive examination, and Renaissance literature as she Debbie Higgins, English professor, in her medieval office.

Photo by Jason Seely

she has left is the Renaissance literature section.

That test will take 72 hours, spread out over four days. To prepare for the test, Higgins received a list of 100-150 books to study.

Higgins said her dissertation will probably compare Beowulf with the works of J.R.R. Tolkien. "My last class was translating Beowulf to modern English," she said. "I saw connections between [Beowulf and Tolkien] that I thought other people saw." She realized, however, that other people had not seen those connections. Higgins said she has been encouraged to explore the topic for her dissertation.

Higgins grew to love Medieval

worked toward her Ph.D. "I loved the language, and the older the literature got, the more I loved it," she said. She also loves the style and the story matter of the older literature.

This is Higgins' tenth year at Southern. In addition to college composition, she teaches advanced grammar, linguistics, grammar and linguistics for teachers, and medieval and renaissance literature. Before coming to Southern, Higgins worked at Central American Adventist University in Costa Rica. There, she taught classes for students who planned to become English teachers and for the school's bilingual secretary program.

Wanted: Firefighter

BY RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

With winter approaching, structure fire season is also nearing. The Tri-Community Fire department has posted signs around Southern's campus inviting students to volunteer. "They're always looking for new recruits," junior film production major Jessamyn Land, a volunteer firefighter, said.

The fire department teaches volunteers life-saving skills as an initial first response and firefighting. In exchange, volunteers spend a minimum of four hours a week at the fire station.

The department's firefighting training consists of a four-month long class that meets two nights a week for four hours a night. The department also offers classes in vehicle extrication and first response.

Firefighting training is usually offered only once a year, from January through April, but while new recruits wait for the class to start, they can go on calls and "do anything that they're asked to do on the fire scene," Land said.

The Tri-Community Fire Department has four stations located in Collegedale and the surrounding towns. Most firefighters within the department are volunteers, with the exception of higher-ranking members such as fire chiefs, Land said.

Sophomore mass communication major Ashleigh Cohen said for new

recruits, the key to firefighting is just "grab a hose and put out the fire." In addition to fighting fires, she worked to save lives by performing CPR in the backs of ambulances the way to the hospital.

Beaver Eller, a Clinical Instructor for the School of Nursing, has been a volunteer firefighter about two years. He said the hard thing about being a firefighter "when you see children that hurt," especially in situations involving child abuse. Occasionally the department holds a Critical Incident Stress Debriefing in which someone comes in to talk with people who were involved in a difficult situation. "They'll have you talk about it and... [teach them] different ways they can vent their frustrations," Eller said.

Land said one difficult thing about firefighting is remembering what has studied when she is under pressure. "It's always important to keep reviewing your material," she said. "Since techniques and equipment constantly being improved, there's always more for firefighters to learn," Land said.

Eller sees his skills as a firefighter and as an EMT intermediate as a way to reach out to people. "I feel like I'll get out of this school with a good understanding of people," Eller said. "When people are tough situations, they tend to be more open to God and to religion, to having a friend."

TONY'S BUSINESS BEAT

How to turn \$1 a day into \$67,815

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Since this is money in your pocket, you've already paid taxes on it in the form of withholding from your paycheck. (If you're self-employed, that's not true, but we'll ignore that to keep things simple.) Every month, deposit your savings in a Roth IRA account, where it can grow tax-free and - more important - be withdrawn tax-free in the future.

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you? Growing tax-free for 30 years, with a 10% annual return, your investment account will be worth \$67,815. (Stocks overall have returned an average of more than 10% a year since 1926, so buying a broad-based stock index fund like Vanguard Total Market Index Fund (VTSMX) is the easiest way to capture that kind of growth.)

Not bad for pocket change, but that's just the beginning.

Here are some other ideas for saving a few bucks here and there that can add up to big dollars over time.

If you can know that this \$123 out of your monthly budget, at 10% it will grow to \$278,040 in 30 years. You've practically financed your retirement with just a few small sacrifices.

If you want to see for yourself how small savings can multiply over time, spend a little time playing with MSN Money's Savings Calculator. You'll see that if you can add in some big-ticket savings, it takes just \$413 a month to make yourself a millionaire.

Often, the same people who bemoan the fact that they can't save are driving around in a new car and making monthly payments on a 48-, 60- or 72-month loan. But you'll be amazed by how

much you can save by buying a used car.

Consider the alternatives:

1. Buy out \$6,000 down to buy a new car worth \$26,000. You finance \$20,000 at 6% interest for 60 months. Your monthly payments are \$386.66. Total interest costs are \$3,199 making the total cost of the car more than \$29,000.

2. You pay \$6,000 cash for a good used car. (MSN Autos lists used cars by price and mileage, with many in the lower price ranges.) Invest that same \$386.66 a month for the same 60 months with an average 9% rate of return. At the end of 60 months, you would have roughly \$28,000 in your investment account after paying 15% tax on about \$800 of long-term capital gains. (The exact amount of tax would vary depending on your tax bracket.) Even if you subtract the cost of whatever additional repair costs you may have for your older car, you still come out way ahead.

Buying on credit is a convenient way to pay too much for everything you buy. Consider the costs: Say you spend \$1,000 on clothing, using a credit card charging 18% interest, and you make the minimum monthly payment to pay off the balance. It would take you almost six-and-a-half years to erase the debt, and your \$1,000 wardrobe would actually cost you more than \$1,650.

Unlike most things in life, when it comes to saving money, it pays to sweat the small stuff. And when you're done with that, go after the big stuff too!

By Richard Jenkins; Janet Lubers contributed to this story. Richard Jenkins is executive editor of MSN Money. Reprinted from: www.msn.com

Top Five Ways Southern Students Could Save Money

5. Reduce the number of desserts any beverages you buy and eliminate buying water. (The drinking fountain is right around the corner.)

4. If you put a lot of highway miles per year, change your oil every 4,000 to 6,000 miles (instead of every 3,000 miles) depending on how often you drive on the highway.

3. Turn your lights out and be reasonably conservative on heating and A/C. By saving the school money you will benefit as well.

2. Work on campus: by doing this you are subsidizing your tuition and Southern does not have to hire other people. Therefore, tuition does not go up and you save money.

1. Keep track of all the things you buy for one month and then make a budget for the following month. (You may be surprised how much money you spend on certain items!)

Next Week's Question:

If you worked for a big corporation and you could take \$10,000 without anyone ever finding out, what would you do with it? Why?

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Trim your expenses to save more

Activity	Monthly Savings	Annual Savings
Take-out vs. dining out once a month	\$45	\$540
Manicure less often	\$15	\$180
Fewer trips to car wash	\$12	\$144
Video rental vs. movie monthly	\$11	\$132
Regular coffee instead of cappuccino on weekdays	\$10	\$120
Total	\$93	\$1,476

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT
RELIGION

Southern students help with church plant

NATHAN NICKEL
STAFF CONTRIBUTOR

The Chattanooga area is quite possibly one of the largest concentrations of Adventists, if not the largest, in North America. Yet the vision of Larry Turner was to have another Adventist Church in the Chattanooga area. Why? He saw that in Battlefield there was no real Adventist presence. Battlefield and surrounding area was filled with other Adventists, relatives of Adventists, and non-Adventists, yet no real active Adventists. Turner's vision is helping to change that.

God brought Turner and Darron Boyd together to pioneer the work in Battlefield. Darron Boyd had been a devout missionary to the Philippines. There he helped plant several churches in villages scattered throughout the brush. God had a special plan for Boyd and placed a special



Members of the battlefield church plant sing for song service.

Photo by Kimberly Siod

burden on his heart: to raise-up churches where before there were none. This burden to reach lost souls for Christ is not unlike that of our Savior for us.

Early this year, Pastor Boyd left his familiar setting in Cartersville, Georgia, and followed God's call to raise up a church in Battlefield.

Planting a church takes more, however, than just a pastor with a dream. It takes more than just a layman with a vision. It takes a team of dedicated people with a selfless love. Planting a church takes people who count no sacrifice too great in order to reach lost souls for Christ. With the Lord's guidance, Darron set about locating people for such a team. He presented information, made appeals, and sent out questionnaires trying to sift through all the people to find the team that God was leading him to. These people would form the core team that would be responsible for organizing ministries, visiting guests, and conducting other outreach efforts in order to bring people to Christ.

What would motivate people who were already settled in a church to step out of their comfort zone into uncharted territory? Susan Brown, office manager for the School of Religion and an active part of the church planting team, says, "We were actually happy and active in our home church. It was only the prodding of the Holy Spirit that moved us to get involved. The more we checked it out, the more excited we

became. But we were hesitant: it was only the knowledge that the Spirit was nudging us that made us fully commit to this movement. Its exciting to be where you know the Spirit wants you to be, wherever that is."

Darron, though, did not stop with just "adults" from the surrounding churches. He

sought out college students to join him as core team members. He wanted the students of Southern to combine with the experience of the other team members in order to reach the people of Battlefield for Christ. He came to some classes taught by Pastor Doug Tilstra, associate professor with the School of Religion, and presented the need he had of finding people to join the core team. One person who answered the call was senior theology major Jennifer Ross. Rather than being a part of an established church for her training, she chose the adventure of co-laboring with God in planting a church in fresh soil. "I joined the core team because I wanted to be in a church where I could learn more about what went on and to be involved intricately in planting a church," Ross says. She has been involved in doing just that. She works with the primary Sabbath school and is currently leading a non-Adventist with a spiritualistic background to Christ. "It is exciting to be on the front lines," she says.

Since the start of the church in May, this plant has gone from a seedling to a fully recognizable plant complete with ministries and a con-

gregation. During any given week the Battlefield Community Church has various small groups: a motorcycle group, a runners' group, a women's group, and others. They also just started a Pathfinder club. Currently six children are enrolled and more are expected to join. "It is the goal of the Battlefield church to have ministries and small groups that will create a sense of community among both church members and non-church members," explains Ross.

From a group of ten people, this church has grown to an average Sabbath attendance of 70. Seeing God work in a community where before there was no active Adventist presence is truly exciting. What is also exciting is that service opportunities are open to all people. In fact, Boyd says, "This is a church for those who want to get involved." Maybe the Spirit is nudging you to get involved in the church plant. Maybe you have some gifts or talents that He would like to use in order to reach people for Christ. One member says that "this is a church where all can feel welcomed. All can feel like they can get involved, because they can." If you feel God nudging you, as He did Susan Brown and Jennifer Ross, contact Brown or Ross or myself. We would be excited to share with you more about this beautiful Christian community.

Editors Note: The author of this article, Nathan Nickel, is also an integral part of the Battlefield Church team. Nickel is a junior theology major and is working with the church plant as part of his ministerial training. He currently teaches one of the adult Sabbath School classes.

Revolutionary
WorshipJAY WEIMER
STAFF WRITER

When I was invited to be the new worship "360's," I had no idea at all. There were so many new herings and clubs that it was possible to keep them straight. Nevertheless, my friend Laura and I pulled up and headed out to the Student Park on last Thursday night.

I was impressed from the start. The entrance and perimeter of the Student Park was lined with tiki torches, and the tables inside were lit with tea lights and strewn with flowers. We could hear a guitar and organ softly playing as we drew nearer.

Suspended from the ceiling were dozens of glass jars holding candles. A bonfire was burning in the place. Picking up the provided vespers, we began to dole out the dolefuls (as I am assuming we were supposed to do) and waited. Though I was impressed with what went into decorating the park, the meeting had a much bigger impact on me. There were about thirty people there and this was for a personal and intimate atmosphere. Some people stood in groups and several walked around introducing themselves.

We eventually found our seats as the program began with singing.

Singing praises to God is always an uplifting experience. Out of the blues and under the stars it seemed much more powerful than usual. Ivan Colan and Aaron Roche led with guitar, accompanied on the bongos by Larry Baxter.

We sang about four or five songs and then prayer cards were passed out. Heather Wallace, the leader, encouraged us to write down our cares and concerns on the prayer cards and hand them in. She promised that they would be prayed for.

After some heartfelt prayers, we sang some more and then roasted marshmallows and met new people. The meeting was very relaxed and friendly.

Though I was just what I needed. 2003 was just what I needed. That's what Southern provides, it was nice to have a small, close group to come together to worship God.

360's wants to emphasize prayer, small groups, and a network of Christian friends. I, for one, think they are succeeding. The prayers brought us all closer to God; the leaders were friendly and encouraged us to meet new people.

In college it is important to have friendships with Christian people who you can talk to and pray with. This is what 360's provides. I encourage you to check out their next meeting.

KRISTY BOROWIK
STAFF CONTRIBUTOR

Faith First, a Christian contemporary singing group, will perform at the campus church on Friday, October 10, for vespers.

Faith First has four members: Andrea and Marc Judd, Shari Diehl, and Scott Reed. They met in high school and formed their quartet in 1994 while students at Pacific Union College. They won the group section of a concert contest sponsored by Chapel Records/Heritage Singers and they were able to create a self-titled album. Since then they have produced two more, *Not by Sight* and *To You*.



Photo contributed

This last CD, which was released this year, features songs written by the group—such as "Wherever I Will Go," "Shine On," and "Living Water"—as well as their own versions of well-known hymns, like "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus." Their sound is mellow and remarkable.

Faith First performs at colleges, youth conventions, and churches

throughout the United States. In the past, the group has been included in Voice of Prophecy radio broadcasts and It Is Written telecasts. Group members often sing with the Heritage Singers and all four were featured at the recent Heritage Singers 30th Anniversary Reunion Concert in Ontario, California.

Faith First knows the importance of their ministry. "We are not just here to give a warm fuzzy feeling," Marc says, "but, in the words of Isaiah 61, to proclaim the good news of God's favor, to preach good news to the poor, to heal the brokenhearted, and to proclaim freedom for the captives."

Miracles will happen

DIANA REAVES
Staff Contributor

Have you ever wanted to be part of a real miracle to know that with a trace of a doubt in your mind was performed by Jesus, the man who made Lazarus live a good time. Well I have. But I am not going to tell you about this miracle because it has not taken place yet. This is a miracle that I need your help with. It is a miracle that needs prayer and lots of it.

You see, I have a camera, a digital camera that my home church in Honduras gave me. It's so I can send pictures of the children at the Hogar de Niños in Honduras, where I am working, back to my church family and friends, and to the Accent when I write articles. The pictures are to help the people who are praying for me to feel more apart of this mission.

My church gave me the camera in a mid-August night before I left Honduras. A few weeks ago I was watching a parade when it started pouring rain, and before I could get to cover, my backpack was soaking wet along with my two-week-old camera. After I got back to the Hogar de Niños I examined the camera and my fears were confirmed. The camera was so wet that nothing happened when I tried to turn it on. Right away I knew that this was going to be something that

God was going to have to help with. I started praying for a miracle right then.

Over the last few weeks since the rainy parade I have asked all the people here at the Hogar to pray for the "healing" of my camera. Also I asked my friends in the U.S. and in other parts of the world to pray.

It's a miracle that I feel God wants the whole world to be a part of. So now I am asking my school family to take part in something big. Something so big He is waiting until everyone knows that the camera is broke before He will fix it.

I know that when our school prays God listens and increases our faith in His works. For example when the girl fell rock climbing last year God heard the prayers of my classmates and teachers. God used His power to heal her and in the process my faith in Him was increased.

In Matthew 7:7,8 it says: "Keep on asking, and you will be



Diana is a young girl from Tania

Photo by Sonya Reeves

given what you ask for. Keep on looking, and you will find. Keep on knocking and the door will be opened. For everyone who asks, receives. Everyone who seeks, finds. And the door is opened to everyone who knocks."

With this type of a promise how can I not believe that the Creator of the human body cannot fix a simple camera. So I ask that you take a second right now to pray. Whenever you are reminded of this camera send up a prayer to God and he will hear our prayers and soon there will be another article in the Accent telling you about the prayers that God heard.

Conference encourages women pastors

DEB TOMPKINS
Staff Writer

The recent Seventh-day Adventist Women Clergy Conference uplifted women, including Southern students, in the struggle to be women in ministry.

The event took place September 14-17 and drew over 120 women to Cohutta Springs for a time of spiritual renewal. Of Southern's 15 women theology majors, 10 attended.

"It was neat to see older ladies whose passion is ministry... and see what their experience has been like," said Jennifer Francisco, senior theology major.

Learna Muse, junior theology major, also attended. "I saw a lot of friends," she said. She also saw a lot of nourishment, however, thanks to the nature theme of "Into the Woods," which drew from Psalm 133.

Diane Schoonard, Collegedale pastor of spiritual nurture, coordinated the event. "They [women] constantly pouring themselves out to help other people," said Schoonard, "but there's very few caring their lives into them."

The Second Conference for DA Women Clergy is a step toward including more women in ministry. There are currently five women pastors (including Southern graduate Maria Samana).

The Georgia-Cumberland Conference. Throughout the United States, 425 women work in ministry positions. And there are roughly up to 600 of these women worldwide, according to Schoonard and Kit Watts, special projects coordinator for the Women's Resource Center at La Sierra.

The West Coast has the largest number of women pastors, about 100. And the Southeastern Conference employs 12

of these. Areas like Washington, D.C. and Washington State also have a few, and women are active in ministry in Australia, Finland and China.

Most of them are associate pastors. Stanley Patterson, vice president for pastoral ministry for the Georgia-Cumberland Conference, appreciates the joint effort. "The quality of the work is better," said Patterson.

According to Patterson, women can serve better in certain ministries like counseling single women.

But female pastors struggle. "It's a challenge for you to find your way," Watts said.

She explained that jobs are hard to find, many of these pioneers feel alone and there is not the recognition of ordination.

The General Conference voted in 1995 not to ordain women, though some are commissioned.

"This church has unfortunately forgotten its heritage," said Watts, referring to women's great ministerial activity in the days of Ellen White. The issue was virtually forgotten until women's ordination was proposed in 1973. Since then, women's role in ministry has slowly increased.

According to the SDA Church's Statement on Women's Issues, "women should play an increasing role in the leadership and decision-making bodies of both church and society. Ultimately, we believe that

the church will fulfill its mission only when the women are empowered to achieve their full potential."

Schoonard is glad to serve women through events like the Clergy Conference. "It's another step God is taking to bring healing to our church," she concluded.



L to R: Jessica Williams and Laura Perry

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TIME

9:00 and 11:30

11:00

9:00 and 11:45

8:00 and 11:25

11:30

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Thumbs up -Thumbs down My hockey fight



Why do I still attend this school?

During my sophomore college, I gave myself to God. He got me out of the gutter some great things in my life. I thought that I was a Christian, that I was now a Christian. I was a junkie for a year I missed a year of my life. I missed a year of my family, a lot. I thought I'd beaten. I was feeling worn down. Though I believe I am a Christian, I know that I am by no means. Though it may hurt, or be embarrassing, I have to tell the world. I have to know that in our cities, I do know that in a race all the run, but only one gets the Run in such a way as to give praise. Everyone who comes the games goes into strictures. They do it to get a crown and not last; but we do it for love will last forever. I will run like a man running the race do not fight like a man but air. No, I beat my body and my slave so that after I preached to others, I myself be disqualified for the prize. Think what God could do with my lives if we had no sin. I am a man of action and will fight for my life. They fight for a will not last; they fight for a will that will last forever. I want to be another year of change. I want to look back at the year and see that I did not no matter how much I was knocked down that I kept going. I will go through

Comparing homosexual murder is not a stretch. It is often a short impulsive act whereas homosexuality is that is made daily. Both sins in Gods eyes. But with help we can overcome even genetic dispositions

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT OPINION

Big Brother and the Bible

ANDREW BERMUDEZ
GUEST COLUMNIST

Recently in the column we have been looking at issues regarding national security and what I called the Calhoun Doctrine - a premise drawn from a famous statement by historic South Carolina politician John C. Calhoun. "The Union, next to our liberties, most dear!" said Mr. Calhoun in reference to the fact that although national unity is important, it must never come at the expense of freedom. From this we have noted that no political goal should ever supplant the very reason for our nation's existence as a land liberty. In wise foresight, the framers of our Constitution created checks and balances that were meant to protect our freedoms from unscrupulous governmental interference.

Yet we read in the Bible and the inspired writings of Ellen G. White that someday our nation, which

today stands as the land of the free, will become an oppressive power enforcing the mark of the beast upon the entire world. How could such a change ever occur?

It's very possible that the changes necessary to turn our nation into the persecuting power described in Revelation 13 will come slowly and insidiously. And legislation such as the USA Patriot Act could play a part in that transition. As we noted last time, many of the provisions of this act which allow the government to track, search, or deport people without any judicial oversight, need only a statement that they are being used to protect national security in order to be invoked. Imagine with me: what if someday a terrible catastrophe similar to those of September 11, 2001 occurred, and somehow, justly or unjustly, Seventh-day Adventists were considered to be perpetrators. Can you envision how suddenly religious persecution

could be covered under the cloak of national security? Instead of Al Qaida, the "terrorists" could be you and me. Under provisions such as those passed since September 11, churches and conferences would be forced to turn over membership lists. Your own home could be searched and you and your family detained and questioned indefinitely - as long as it is all in the name of national security.

It may sound much too far-fetched, too much like a wild conspiracy theory. But we are told that someday such things will happen. John Ashcroft's Patriot Act may have absolutely no impact on last-day events, but nonetheless, it brings up issues that could greatly endanger our rights as Americans. Let's be sure that those chosen to lead our nation make principled choices that protect not only our security, but above all our liberty, since, as John C. Calhoun would quickly remind us, it is "most dear".

The right to fight tickets

ANDREW RITLAND
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

One of our country's key ideologies is that of fair representation. Being able to present one's views in a public forum allows for rational discourse and a just conclusion.

This idea of just representation has been sacrificed due to the interest of time for the committee members of Southern's traffic court.

This deliberative body decides on disputed parking fines that the students bring to the committee's attention. However, a student cannot go to these meetings in person to argue one's case. He or she can now only correspond with the committee members through e-mail and is not able to represent themselves personally.

The logic behind this system is that since there would be so many students disputing tickets, the committee will not have time to hear their complaints. So, to save the committee's time, an e-mail has been set up to take the place of one's own ability to argue one's case face to face.

There are two downsides to this approach. First, this system greatly disenfranchises those who are unable to craft an informative and ultimately persuasive argument in writing.

Not every individual has the ability to clearly present their side of the argument through the written word and he or she should have the option to present their side orally. If the committee feels

that this would take too much of their time, limits can be imposed on the amount of time one can explain his or her situation. In this way, the committee can ask relevant questions about the disputed fine that they otherwise could not, because of the current e-mail system.

Secondly, a dialogue between students and committee members will ultimately prevent a number of future disputes by bringing to the committee's attention some aspects of the parking system that have genuine need of renovation or by the committee better explaining parking policies to the students.

Under the current system, if a request from a student that a ticket should be reconsidered is denied, no reason from the committee is given. This ultimately does not solve the obvious confusion that led to the ticket being written in the first place.

So, by allowing students to either choose between representing themselves before the traffic court or writing an e-mail complaint, it will allow every student to fairly present their case.

This in turn will allow for a future drop of fines issued by reducing the confusion of parking policies and raising the administration's awareness of the current problems faced by students within the parking system.

Technology is fine, but as one can see with Southern's traffic court, it is not a solution for every problem.

Free lunch in New York

KELLY RAZZOUK
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

We've all heard the saying, "there's no free lunch" but what happened to me today radically defied this statement.

I left my office in the United Nations Church building with only a few minutes to grab a bite to eat and then race off to a meeting. I went to my favorite deli run by a Lebanese family for my usual falafel sandwich and bottle of water.

I exchanged pleasantries with the owner whose wife works as a U.N. translator and I told him about some things I was doing at the U.N. this week. Unbeknown to me the

gentlemen behind me was listening to my entire conversation. He jumped in with a few questions of his own about my job at the U.N. A few moments later he left and I went to grab my water.

I ended up standing behind him in the cashier's line. He quickly told the woman at the counter, "I'm paying for hers too, she's young and working to save the world - it would be my pleasure."

At first I was shocked and then became apprehensive: what would he want in return? He must have read my face because he said "it's ok, I just want to buy your lunch."

With that he paid for his lunch and

mine then he turned to walk out the door. I stood in awe for a moment but managed to quickly say "let me give you my card." So he exchanged cards and then he walked off, back to his law firm and I back to my office at the U.N. Church Center.

It was something small - lunch, but yet given totally from the heart, with no expectations whatsoever. So Christ-like. So Amazing! He didn't even know me. He had never seen me before and may never see me again, but he wanted to do something for me. It made my day.

Moral of the story: buy a stranger lunch, just because.

Dear Editors:

The dismissal of Collegedale's city manager, Bert Coolidge, just five weeks ago, followed this past Tuesday by the dismissal of the city's police chief, Gary Will, signals a city administration gone completely out of control.

Dr. Coolidge and Chief Will were among the finest public servants I have ever observed. During my service as vice principal of Spalding Elementary School the police department and Chief Will himself were always very responsive to our needs and highly professional in the way they presented themselves. Chief Will met with our safety committee to help us devise a disaster preparedness plan, and was also very helpful in sending out extra manpower from time to time to assist with traffic safety before and after school.

Morale among city employees has gone into a death spiral in the wake of these firings. The new city manager, Carol Mason, may soon find herself unable to locate anyone foolish enough to work for her.

These circumstances were triggered by the three city commissioners who were elected in 2001, and who insist on imposing their poorly defined, selfish, and horrid political agenda on the citizens of Collegedale, who at this point, under the law, have no way to redress these grievances.

Maybe they had the right idea in Collegedale after all.

Sincerely,
Ray Minner



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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2003

C.A. defeats All-Madden

JEFF LAMBERT
STAFF WRITER

C.A. started the first half and wasted no time, reaching the end zone on 5 plays, converting the extra point to attain a quick 7-0 lead. On second down of C.A.'s next drive, All-Madden's David Johnson had an interception to give his team possession on their opponent's 30-yard line, although they were unable to convert. Soon after getting possession back, C.A.'s Edwin Urbina ran another touchdown increasing their lead to 13-0.

All-Madden looked to respond on their next possession, and answered in a strong way when quarterback Michael Valentine threw a 30-yard pass into the

hands of David Johnson to cut C.A.'s lead to 13-6. All-Madden buckled down on defense to hold C.A. to a fourth down turnover. Another C.A. touchdown made the score 21-6 at the half.

In the second half, Brent Ford struck again on his team's first possession by catching a TD pass to give his team a commanding 28-6 lead. Another touchdown soon after gave C.A. a 34-6 lead with about eight minutes to play in the game.

But All-Madden showed a lot of heart as they continued to play their hardest, coming up with a touchdown after a one-handed



Team members stand around trying to keep warm.

Photo by Mike Papp

catch in the end zone by David Johnson. All-Madden's Dan Grant came up with

an interception on C.A.'s next drive, but there was not enough time left in the game for a comeback, as team C.A. came away with a win over team All-Madden.

Mastercraft Rolls Over Badgers 18-0

MARK GUNTHER
STAFF WRITER

In the opening week match-up of women's flag football, the Northern Division team Mastercraft team took on the Badgers on October 1. The season had just gotten underway, but both teams seemed prepared as they stepped out on the hardened turf for the contest. Mastercraft scored two touchdowns on their first pair of possessions. The Badgers could do little to stop them throughout the entire game and lost 18-0.

Mastercraft ran hook and ladder plays, the Statue of Liberty,

and strong rushing moves, which gave the Badgers plenty to deal with. Mastercraft took advantage of this and used their considerable advantage in organization to win the ballgame.

The hands down star of the game was Chantel Schwarz, who scored two of Mastercraft's three touchdowns and contributed two interceptions. She also showed great ability as a center and a play organizer. Ashley Shafer also scored a touchdown in the Mastercraft win as the team went to 1-0 on the season.

Southern Striders: over the campus and through the collegedale

ETHAN NKANNA
Sports Editor

The Southern Striders is Southern Adventist University's newest running club. The Striders were formed in September of 2002 by Southmore Marketing major Bryce Martin and Senior Theology major Albert Hamdul.

Since last September, the club has grown from two members to twelve running enthusiasts who

meet 5-6 times a week to run.

The Striders run up to 12 miles a day, which is not required of all members. "There are probably more people who just do 1 or 2 miles a day," said Martin.

Martin and Vice President, Senior Business major Josh Calhoun, recently participated in the Great American Cross Country Championships in North Carolina. College running teams from univer-

sities all over the country, including North Carolina, Duke, and Michigan, competed in the race. Martin also plans to compete in the running segment of the Cobutta Springs triathlon.

The Striders are about more than just racing. "The club has gotten me excited about running again, and Josh and the team believe in you and make you want to try harder," said Sophomore Nursing major

Laurel Jaster.

The club is hoping to organize a track meet here at Southern sometime next semester for anyone interested in competing. The meet will feature races from 100 meters to a 5 kilometer race.

Whether you run to stay fit, for competition, or just for fun, the Striders is the club for you. "You don't have to be an expert runner, but if you're willing to work hard



Members of Southern Striders warm up.

Photo by Rachel Papp

and apply yourself, feel free to join us," Jaster said.

The Race is not for the Swift

JULIE JAMES
Co-Editor

The 20th Annual Snaubel Cobutta Springs Triathlon took place in Crandall, Georgia. The course consisted of a mile swim, an 18-mile bike ride and a 4-mile run. 213 participants representing seven states: Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Ohio, Tennessee, Michigan and Alabama competed. Of the 213, 150 participants ran the course alone. The remaining 63 formed 21 relay teams. The ages of the participants ranged from ages 14 to 72.

At exactly 12:35 pm, the gun was fired to start the race. The contestants began to swim in the 67 degree Cobutta Spring Lake. Bobbing while swim caps dotted the lake. Many of the contestants spoke of how terrifying the swim was for them. "I thought that I was about to die when I saw an arm coming towards my head," said a female contestant.

Others spoke about how they



Female 20-24 winners display their trophies. L to R: First place - Jessie Landess, third place - Terri Thomas, second place - Andrews student Clara Barnstein.

wanted to give up at the mile and mark. The water was so cold and it was hard to get used to, but I knew that I couldn't give up." The last contestant emerged from the water at 33:35 minutes.

The men's relay team # 128 was in front from start to finish. The

team won third last year and decided that they wanted to win the triathlon this year. "We trained our hardest this year," said Michael Green, the runner of the last leg of the group. "Joe Fulton pushed us harder this past year because we wanted to show the

guys returning that we were a different set of guys and we can't be beat."

There were a lot of Southern Adventist University students and faculty who took part in the race. President Gordon Bietz was part of a relay team along with his two daughters. Bietz did the biking and his daughters did the swimming and the running. They didn't place in the top three, but they finished with a time of 1:47:41. Bietz's son-in-law, Jeff Gang, competed in the race as well. "I was just glad that I beat my father-in-law." His time was 1:37:36.

The participant that captured the hearts of the crowd was 72-year-old, Carl Hartman, from Andrews, North Carolina. He was the oldest participant and showed the most courage. He stuck the race out until the end, and the crowd cheered as Hartman crossed the finish line. "He's my hero," said an onlooker.

Hartman completed in 2:44:3 and his perseverance embodied the spirit of the day.

Triathlon Top Finishers

TOP MALE OVERALL
Ron Swope 1:24:58

TOP FEMALE OVERALL
Dale Tillman 1:39:42

TOP MALE RELAY
Joe Fulton 1:24:55
Mike Paro
Michael Green

TOP FEMALE RELAY
Cyd Kratzer 2:05:16
Nathalie Marceau
Kimi Tangonum

TOP MIXED RELAY
Jimmy Rhodes 1:34:26
Fiebekah Bonney
Darin Bissell

President Bietz placed 8th in the mixed relay.

Gordon Bietz 1:47:41
Julie Droll
Gina Gang

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the campus chatter

Week of: October 10-October 17

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

11:30 a.m. Convocation - Fouad Moughrabi (Iles)

Birthdays: Matt Barclay, Matt Campbell, Kacie Chalke, Jared Dalmas, Yerika Del Valle, Heather Demaree, Steve Duffis, Jon Paige, Eric Schnell, Chris Walters, Jon Weigley, Veranita Knoch, Linda Williams

Society of Adventist Communicators, Orlando, FL (9-12)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Pre-Vet Club Car Wash (Dollar Tree)

7:13 p.m. Sunset

8:00 p.m. Vespers - Faith First Concert (Church)

Birthdays: Stephanie Clegg, Gaele Eugene, Jennifer Francisco, Kendy Martinez, Danielle Muhlenbeck, Erash Nkana, Linda Marlowe, Vinita Sauer,

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

8:00 a.m. DEEP Sabbath Buses Depart (Wright Hall)

9:00 a.m. Collegedale Church Service - Hymn Festival

10:00 a.m. The Third - Mike Fulbright (Iles)

10:00 a.m. "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher Student Activity Room)

10:00 a.m. "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)

11:30 a.m. Collegedale Church Service - Hymn Festival

11:40 a.m. The Third Encore (Upstairs Church in the Gospel Chapel)

3:30 p.m. Children of the World Concert (Church)

7:00 p.m. Evensong (Church), Reader: Ray Minner

Club & Department Party, Various Times & Locations

Birthdays: Glenn Medina, Lance Robbins, Alison Stigora, Stephanie Van Wart, Princess Williams, James Fedusenko

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

7:30 p.m. Wind Symphony Concert - Church (Double Convocation Credit)

SonScreen Film Festival 2003, Tampa, FL

Birthdays: Olivia Axmacher, Sarah Brassard, Michael Browne, Robin Heuss, Tekle Wanorie

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13

3:30 p.m. University Senate

Canadian Thanksgiving Day

Last day for 40% tuition refund. No tuition refund after today.

Birthdays: Angela Aalborg, Landon Durham, Dan Grant, Nick Griffin, Lyca Manembu, Chalaia Moyer, Terry Treccarin, Carolyn Achata, Leila Ashton, Ron Cloutz, Jun Engel, Lisa Howard, Judy Sloan

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

7:00 p.m. Joint Worship - Thatcher (Campus Ministries)

Birthdays: Erick Castro, Jim Coulter, Erin Criss, Eric Elledge, Darren Francisco, Tara Hills, Jeff Lund, Robert Ortiz, Ryan Tindall, Neena Westerbeck, Heinz Wiegand, Chris Hansen, Jessica Parks

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15

5:00 p.m. McKee Library Closes

Faculty Winter Textbook Order due, Campus Shop

Birthdays: Shu-Tze Huang, Britteny Thurmon, Ann Greer

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

MIDTERM BREAK (16-19)

No classes

National Boss Day

Birthdays: Isaac Clark, Eannor Downs, Yormary Galindo, Casey Hann, Jodi Mehlenbacher, Kristin Rose, Brandon Yap, Susie Schomburg

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Need a listening ear?

Beginning September 18, 2003,

there will be a counseling graduate

student coming to Thatcher and

Thatcher every Thursday evening. If

you have a concern or frustration you need to talk about, then this is the time and place. This is an open group. You can come once or as many times as you like.

8:00 p.m. at Dean Erickson's office (Thatcher Hall) with Cindy

Coulidge.

9:30 p.m. at Dean Sager's office

(Tulge Hall) with Rick Swiatek.

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Evensong will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Collegedale Church, on Saturday, October 11. Ray Minner will be the reader.

Tickets are required for the Paul Badura-Skoba Trio Concert on Tuesday, October 21. This piano, flute and cello trio concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Ackerman Auditorium. Double convocation credit will be given. Tickets may be picked up from Student Services, and they are free with a SAU ID.

CLUBS AND DEPARTMENTS

The English Club would like to announce the arrival of Penguin Parlor, a discussion group. This year we will be reading and discussing the book 1984, by George Orwell. The first meeting will be held October 30, at 8 p.m., over Book 1 sections IV. All students are welcome to participate. If you are interested in attending and would like to receive e-mail updates and reminders, please email annettec@southern.edu. Limited paper copies of the book are available upon request, and online text is easily accessible.

Car Wash: This Friday, October 10, from 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m., the Pre-Vet Club will be having a car wash at the Dollar Tree located at Four Corners. Donations will be accepted.

Roadsongs comes to Southern The School of Visual Art & Design at Southern Adventist University is proud to host the graphic and poetic works of artist/print maker/poet/composer Malcolm Graeme Childers. "Roadsongs: A Journey into the Life and Mindscapes of an American Artist" is a collection of richly detailed relief etchings created during Mr. Childers' tenure as art professor at Southern. This will be the first time the entire three-piece collection will be seen in one place. The collection opens to the public in the Brock Hall Gallery at 7:00 p.m. on October 25th.

The reception will include audio presentations by the artist, as well as a signing and readings from the artist's collectible book based on the exhibition. "Roadsongs" will remain on display through November 7th. For more information, visit art.southern.edu or contact Nathan D. B. Frazar in the School of Visual Art & Design at 423.238.2732.

CAMPUS MINISTRIES

Vespers will be a Faith First concert that begins at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, October 10, in the church.

Are you sick, or do you know a friend that is sick? If so email sickdays@syrahoo.com with the name and location (room #) of the sick person. And a care package will be sent to him/her.

Room in the inn (a women and

children's shelter ministry) is going out Sabbath, October 11. Contact Leron Allen at 238-2346.

Advent Home Ministry is going out Sabbath, October 11. Contact Angela Coney at 356-3617.

Make \$50 Fast - design a logo for Destiny Drama Company. A \$50 one time prize will be awarded for the chosen logo. It must be black and white and can incorporate one of the following three options: DESTINY, DESTINY DRAMA CO., or DESTINY DRAMA COMPANY. Turn in your logo to the Chaplain's office no later than October 24, at 12:00 p.m. Tickets should include your design and your contact information. The chosen design will become property of Destiny. The designer will relinquish all rights.

STUDENT ASSOCIATION

DEEP Sabbath: Come join us in fellowship Sabbath, Oct. 11, with our friends at Oakwood College. If you need transportation, please sign up at the SA Office. Buses will depart from in front of Wright Hall at 8:00 a.m. and will return at approximately 8:30 p.m.

FREE FOOD at the Promenade Super. Thursday, October 23, the Student Association and the Alumni Department invites you to enjoy a free meal on the Promenade in front of the Student Center from 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

FALL FESTIVAL, compliments of the Student Association, is set and ready to explode on Sunday, October 26. Come on out to the Griffin Farm from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. for great food, fallish stuff to do, and a time to mingle with friends. Featuring "KingFisher" if you haven't heard them, you're missing out. Mark October 26 is red on your calendar - the SA Fall Fest will be the place to be!

KR's Place KR's Place will be closed for midterm break and for all double-credit convocations for the rest of the semester as well the following dates:

October	19, 26
November	30
December	7

Senior Class
Organization
Meeting

Rescheduled:

The Senior Class Organization will be held November 4, 2003, in Brock Hall Room 333 instead of October 7, 2003.

Please note this change on your calendar and come prepared to elect your senior class officers.

R. Bryan Stitzer
Your Friendly Neighborhood Humor Editor
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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT ENGEL

We students are activists

ROBERT JACOBSON
Humor Columnist

We college students tend to be activists. It doesn't take much to foment violence over the absurdity of any random rule from the handbook or the heinousness of "ampus Safety" or the state of the cafeteria food. (One time Chris Bradley had a great meal at the cafe instead of the usual food he doesn't like, so he thought it was Opposite Day and started using the women's restrooms.)

At Southern we have a lot of important causes, too. Here are some examples of causes that are important to me: no animal crackers are an affront to my vegetariana diet; the tread mills in the workout rooms are not wheelchair accessible; the one-dent per person lunch on thurs day forces me to walk all the way across campus to the other tables; the *Acorn* editors won't let me write about eating children. (The voice of Southern, my elbow!) That last cause (about the children) is important enough that I am going to try to spend the rest of this article blatantly trying to force the editors into a corner. Another cause: I think that the passing of the mantle from Elijah to Elisha is not an exciting enough Bible story to warrant a giant statue. How about the story of how the two shears came out of the words and mutated 42 youths for calling Elisha "hah-hah"? (I Kings 2:23—I hear it's Pastor Rogers' favorite.) Picture: one massive half erect boy snarling with fanged teeth, claw suspended mid-air, while the other boy cackles children. Since it's still a story about Elijah, you wouldn't even have to get rid of the bit of Elisha that has already been started! (Or is it Elisha? I get them mixed up.) In fact, I heard a rumor that the statue is so far under budget that adding two shears and 42 youths to the statue would only cost another \$50.

Or how about the story of how Judith lopped off the head of Holofernes while he

was drunk in a tent? (Judith 13:1—Who said it had to be from our Bible? If you think this is too far out, google for "Judith and Holofernes art"). It sure is a violent story, though. Maybe we could soften it up a little and depict Judith cutting off the head of Holofernes' favorite potted house plant. But then the story would lose some of its feminist power. . . .

What does any of this have to do with Asians, you ask? I'll tell you. One of my favorite Asians, Rebecca Chung, was appalled that I'd ever want to write about eating children. She, however, happens to be a liberated and integrated female personality who would appreciate the empowerment of women in a time of female powerlessness (although the patriarchal idealization of heroism in Judith might keep her a skeptic). Ergo, changing the fully masculine subject of our giant statue to something more gender-neutral is something that might make her happy. With her approval, I would be free to write as many child-eating jokes as I want. Gaudemus igitur.

Insightful insights

by Jon Palmer

"One day I woke up and thought the sky was green and the ground was blue. When I went outside I thought I could fly but then my neighbor asked me why I was rolling around on his lawn."

Almost top 10 list

KASANDRA RODRIGUEZ
Humor Columnist

Hi my fellow people. This week I would like to give you some things to ponder—about, seven to be exact. One for each day of the week. So here it goes.

Sunday: What is the deal with Taco Bell? Is that the only good restaurant around?

Monday: While cooking dinner, please remember that plastic cups DO melt in the microwave.

Tuesday: One has always heard about the talk of "the birds and the bees"... but what actually are the birds and that bee?

Wednesday: When cleaning up spills, tissues with lotion are not a good option.

Thursday: Sugar is not the best thing to eat when you're not feeling well. (Been

there, done that...)

Friday: It's almost the weekend! Say "hi" and smile to people. Some people appreciate this gesture and will return the favor. The worst thing that others will do is look at you funny. But who cares? As I said, it's almost the weekend!

Saturday: Be alert when you thank God for nature and I say this out of experience. One Sabbath during special prayer time, I said I was thankful for nature. Later on the church I was in my car with my friend's sister when all of a sudden a high-risk vessel decided to cross my path and I ran out of it. I was completely devastated. So, yes, don't let your guard down.

Well, I wish all of you a great and safe week, and hope to "speak" to you all again soon. God Bless!

The ducks go to vespers...



by Justin Janetko

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City council convenes

TIM JESTER
Managing Editor

Tension ran high as a standing room only crowd packed City Hall Monday night. Collegedale residents demanded answers after three high-ranking Collegedale employees were terminated by city commissioners and the newly hired city manager.

"It's like watching a train wreck and we are powerless to do anything about it right now," said Ray Minner, one of the many Collegedale citizens who took to the open mike at the town meeting.

In the last month, the city has fired its city manager, police chief, and Lt. Clinton Walker, a ten-year police veteran. So far city leaders have offered no official explanation.

Also Monday night, citizens noted the absence of Vice Mayor Tim Johnson. City officials explained the commissioner had been called away on emergency business.

Johnson's possible role in the firings surfaced last week. Former Chief Will told the Chattanooga Times Free Press that Johnson walked into his office and demanded the firing of Walker. If this action wasn't taken, Will's own job was on the line, the newspaper reported.

Most citizens came to the meeting looking for answers but left just as confused. "I would like to know what I did to get fired," said Walker, during a n impromptu interview outside city hall.

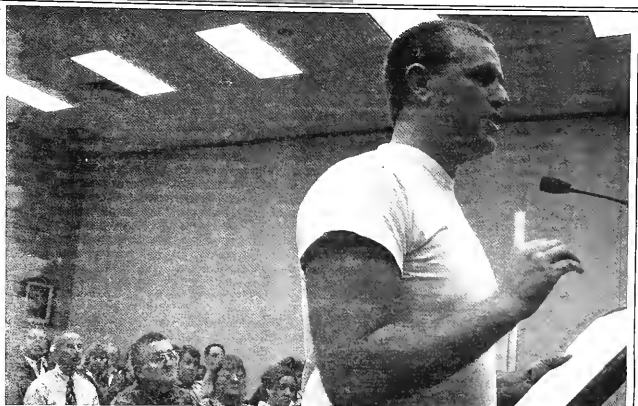
City Manager Carol Mason denied allegations that she was acting as a puppet for two or three commissioners on the city council.

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Collegedale citizens listen during the Monday night council meeting.

Photo by Jacqui Sealey



Southern student Seth Blanchard asks questions at the Collegedale commission meeting. See more in Collegedale Lacks Recall on Page 2.

Photo by Jacqui Sealey

Southern introduces parking changes

JENNIFER PAGE
Staff Reporter

New parking permits and regulations have taken effect this year.

Ispar.com provides a program that has been installed for Southern's vehicle registration and parking permits.

The online program has made it easy for Campus Safety to contact students now that registration doesn't take place in the gym. The program is convenient and easy to use.

"The permit is mailed to you and any tickets can be paid with check, cash or credit card," said Eddie Avant, director of Campus Safety.

New parking regulations are enforced each year. The administrative council amends the regulations and hands them down to Campus Safety. It is Campus Safety's job to enforce the rules. Once a year Campus Safety is able to review the rules and suggest changes to the administrative council, according to Avant.

Some students have tried to beat the system

by not registering their car. After receiving at least three tickets for failure to register, these cars may wheel the "boot". The removal of this vehicle wheel restraint costs \$45, which must be paid before removal.

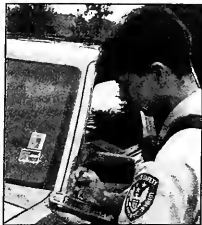
There is a lack of parking spaces this year. There are over 2,100 cars registered with only 1,595 parking spaces available, according to Avant. The opening of Hackman Hall and the addition of two new apartment buildings in Southern Village has added to the overload of vehicles needing parking.

Talge Hall has lost 50 spaces due to construction. Some students have overflowed into the Wood Hall lot. Eric Henton, media production junior, experienced difficulty accessing either lot during the flea market on Oct. 19.

"They should cut some slack when we can't even get into our lot," said Henton. He received a ticket after parking in a questionable spot in the front lot at Talge.

There are plans to introduce new parking.

These plans include tearing down a Warehouse on Industrial Drive to create more parking and expanding the Talge and Wood Hall lots.



Campus Safety officer Jonathan Costello writes a ticket at the beginning of the semester.

File photo by Rachel Day

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Collegedale opens new memorial park for veterans along the Wolfcreek Creek Greenway. See more on page 3

"Last week I stated that this woman was the ugliest woman I had ever seen. I have since been visited by her sister and now wish to withdraw that statement."

-Mark Twain

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City council continued from page 2

"She says that it was her decision alone to fire Chief Will and L. Walker."

"It's been a tough week," said Mason. "Sometimes it's not easy being me." Some citizens laughed in response and others wondered aloud if Mason could be trusted.

Commissioner Jim Turner was the only one of the five commissioners to say that he was disturbed about the recent dismissals. Turner

proposed a moratorium on all city hirings and firings for 90 days. Sam Elliot, the city attorney, quickly shot down the idea since the Collegedale city charter apparently will not allow this type of action.

Carol Mason has issued no statement since the firings and her answers to questions Monday night were no different.

"No comment," said Mason.

SA Fall Festival coming soon

SHARON RHO
STAFF WRITER

The Student Association Social Committee has been working hard on plans for the upcoming Fall Festival. This annual event is open to everyone and will take place on Sunday, October 26 at Griffin Farm from 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Various activities and entertainment are part of the agenda. These include jugglers, the "4 tower" mechanical ball, face painting, darts and more. Students can also enjoy multiple hayrides. Musical duo "Kingfisher," consisting of a female violinist and a male guitarist/vocalist, will be playing jazz, folk-style melodies.

"My goal for the Fall Festival is to build on last year's success and add more attraction, activity and fun," said Thomas Westworth, SA Social Vice-President.

Students needing transportation can sign up at the Student Association office in the Student Center. Buses will leave from the Wright Hall front steps at 5:45 p.m. and will continue to make trips

every 15 minutes until 6:45 p.m.

Many snacks and drinks will be available, including funnel cakes, spicy apple cider, pumpkin pie squares and hot chocolate. A warm vegetable chili stew, affectionately called "the homeless man's stew," will be simmering away.

Some students who attended previous Fall Festivals had positive memories to share.

"I would really encourage people to go this year," said Terri Lynn Thomas, junior wellness major. "It's such a great way to meet people, eat good food, have fun with friends and even line dance!"

Amanda Gaspard, sophomore biology and religious studies major, enjoyed the festivities last year. "The [Fall Festival] is one of the best SA events of the year," she said.

The arrival of a colorful, crisp autumn will be embraced at the Fall Festival in numerous ways this year.

"If you're coming expecting to be bored, you're in for a shock," concluded Westworth.

HEIDI TOMPKINS
STAFF REPORTER

Alumni Weekend offers several options for students, from activities this weekend to financial aid in the future.

Friday, Dr. Norman Gully, Southern's research professor for systematic theology, will be at the Adventist Book Center. He will be promoting his new book, *Systematic Theology: Prolegomena*.

"It's kind of a landmark publication," said Susan Brown, office manager for the School of Religion. "It is an in-depth theological study of the basic beliefs of the Adventist Church."

Gully will be available Sabbath afternoon in Hickman Hall to talk about his book.

The Heritage Museum will also be open from 2-3:30 p.m. Sabbath.

Steve Darmody will perform in the Collegedale Church at 4 p.m. He is a 1978 Southern alumus. According to his Web site

(http://www.harmonic.ro/music/steve_darmody/) "His music ranges from traditional hymns to the best in adult inspirational and contemporary music."

The site also says that he has worked with such Adventist programs as The Quiet Hour, the Voice of Prophecy and the 3ABN Satellite Network and "has shared concerts with Christian Artists such as Sierra, Dick & Mel Tunney, Michael English, First Call, Scott Wesley Brown, Acapella and many others."

Following Darmody, David Holt will perform at 8 p.m. in the Iles P.E. Center. Holt is a Grammy award winner featured in the movie "O Brother Where Art Thou." He plays such varied instruments as the "banjo, slide guitar, guitar, harmonica, bones, spoons and jaw harp," according to his Web site (<http://www.davidholt.com>). Students can visit this site for more information.

Sunday, students who have received scholarships can come meet their donors at the Scholarship

Award Breakfast at 8 a.m.

More financial aid will come from Alumni Weekend.

Southern's Golf Classic on the Iles will bring in money for the Southern Adventist University Golf Course Endowment Fund. This is well known to students as a need-based scholarship. "You don't have to have strange requirements," said Barbara Howell, director of marketing and university relations.

Other proceeds from the event will go to the nursing, English, biology, physical education and mathematics departments and schools. They will receive \$1,000 each. "That's exciting!" senior English major Alexa Merickel said.

The school of nursing will use money for food for its get-together. "We put out lots of food in our dorms," said Barbara James, assistant dean for the school.

The other departments at schools have not yet decided what to do with the funds.

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The Badura-Skoda Trio performs Tuesday night in Ackerman Auditorium. Paul Badura-Skoda plays the piano along with Michael Marfin Koller on flute and Michael Carerra on cello.

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Collegedale commissioners, the city manager and mayor have revealed few details behind a series of employee terminations.

But legally, Tennessee is an "at will" state that does not require justification for the termination of public officials. The silence has led to distrust among citizens.

"The 'powers that be' have set an agenda that does not take the constituency into consideration," said Brad Brooks, Collegedale resident.

Others share Brooks' frustration and have called for the removal of

the offending officials.

The Collegedale charter only allows the removal of a commissioner or the city manager by a majority vote among the five-member commission. However, speculation over an alliance between commission members has many citizens doubtful that removal by a majority vote is possible.

In the wake of California, citizens have wondered if it's possible to recall city officials here. But Collegedale's charter reveals no provision for a recall.

Changes to the charter could add a recall option, but not easily. Collegedale shares its charter with

cities all across Tennessee. Tennessee General Assembly first approve any changes proposed by a city that shares a common charter with others.

Frustrated and seemingly out of options for change, Collegedale citizens are left with little recourse until the terms of current contracts expire at the next city election in 2005.

Dennis Huffer, a legal consultant with the Municipal Law Advisory Service for the University of Tennessee offered this advice: "Political pressure between citizens and elections are (citizens' course of action."

Collegedale lacks recall

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

Time Well Spent

CYNTHIA NANGY
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Most of my 2002 summer was spent at home in Kenya lying on my bed, garnering a lot of important educational information from the television. Between cartoon network from 3 to 6 in the evening and evening television programs like *Judging Amy* and *Big Brother's House*, there was no shortage of useful stuff with which to fill my mind. But I when the television broke down for a couple of months, I was able to think back on a lot of things in my childhood. Like when I was five and I could not wait to be ten because my dad said he would let me have my birthday in a park that I thought was really cool. But, then I also never thought I'd get to be ten years old. It seemed so far away.

It was so easy to appreciate the simple things back then. Gone are the days when my biggest concern was having to leave my friends at seven in the evening because I had to go and take a shower while they still played outside, or when rolling down a hill with my friends or spinning around till we got dizzy was all I needed to make my day. This summer I realized how different life is as a young adult.

Unfortunately, many of us spend our time in regret and self-pity. "Poor me—I do not have a boyfriend or girlfriend." "I am so stressed out with all the stuff I have to do." "I wish I had not eaten that last cookie!" We hardly stop to appreciate the little things, like the reaction from the total stranger we say "hello" to on the promenade in the morning or the beauty of the sunsets.

Often we get so wrapped up in the hustle and bustle of college life that we do not even appreciate the big things in life like friends and family. Sometimes it takes a devastating catastrophe, such as the death in the family, to make us realize just how much we have. That's what it took to open my eyes. Since losing my loved one, I decided to be a kid again, at least every once in a while. I decided to appreciate the little things and the big ones, too. I pray that you can take the time to count your blessings today, because you never know what may come tomorrow. And my prayer for all of us is that we may live life so that when we look back on it, we can say it was time well spent.

Life Care Internships

RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Instead of working at camp last summer, Evelyn Hillmon, a senior mass communication major, wore professional clothes and sat in a cubicle for 30 hours a week. Why? Because she was beginning an internship as a technical writer for Life Care Centers of America.

Hillmon's internship has "exposed [her] to a lot of different ideas," she said. It has helped her learn to work with people in a corporate environment and given her more material for her portfolio. Her internship also helps her pay for school and may help her find a job after she graduates.

Hillmon got her internship through last spring's Meet the Firms, which is held once each semester and gives students the

opportunity to meet with representatives from companies that may be looking for interns or employees. Hillmon met her current boss at Meet the Firms and gave him her resume, then followed up with a phone call the next week.

Meet the Firms is just one way Southern helps students find internships. The School of Journalism & Communication emails information about internship opportunities to members of the Communication Club. The School of Computing's website has a section about internships and invites computing majors who meet certain qualifications to email their resumes and references to Computing's internship coordinator, Lezlee Walters.

Janita Herold, the School of Journalism & Communication's office manager, listed several other ways students can look for intern-



Jon Meharry and Evelyn Hillmon interned at Life Care Centers of America.

Photo by The Joker

ships, including talking to their advisors or other faculty members in their school or department, going to the websites of companies where they would like to intern, and asking other students who have had internships about their experiences.

To prepare for an internship, students should "make sure your resume is well-done, current and tai-

lored to the kind of internship you are applying for," Herold said. She also recommends journalism and communication students wait until their junior year to apply for internships because if they apply earlier, "they probably won't have had the right classes to prepare them for the requirements of the internship."

Another way students can prepare themselves for internships is by taking the Preparing to Meet the Firms class, which is offered every winter semester. The class teaches students how to interview well, prepare a resume and conduct themselves in a business setting, Herold said.

Sophomore graphic design major Jon Meharry had an internship last summer as a web developer and graphic designer. He found his job by calling graphic design firms and by getting interested in hiring a graphic designer.

Then, "I wanted to see what would be the best opportunity," Meharry said.

Meharry said his previous experience in web design and other computer work helped him secure his internship. He advises other students seeking internships to "make as many connections as you can, and especially focus on the ones you have relationships with or who can lead you to something else."

Veteran's Remembered

TIFFANY TUELL
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

A new addition in the greenway in Collegedale boldly states the patriotism of the college town. Additionally, the Veterans' Memorial, "I think it's a wonderful tribute to the area. My grandfather served in WWII and I think we should honor the veterans for what they have done," said Jodi Herold, a sophomore journalism major.

The idea for the memorial originated with Phil Garver, dean of physical education and health and wellness at Southern, about three years ago. Over the past three years of its construction, the memorial has cost \$300,000 including land. The total estimated cost for the memorial to be finished is about \$750,000. The Veterans' Memorial is being funded solely by contributions. Garver said they would like to see the memorial finished by the

fall of 2004, but it depends on the availability of funds.

So far, the memorial consists of flags for every state and a huge American flag, along with a number of other commemorative flags. Additionally, a statue of a veteran sits on a bench. A cobra helicopter will soon be placed in the memorial. Plans for the future include monuments for every branch of the military, a fighter jet, a tank, a timeline of the wars around the sidewalk, and funds permitting, a bronze sculpture of a medic. One granite inscription of a medic will also be placed to commemorate POW's, soldiers killed in action and missing in action, Merchant Marines, and conscientious objectors.

"We hope it brings the community together to celebrate freedom. We can't afford to forget," Garver said. "People say that they have been blessed by the memorial



The new statue in Veteran's Park
Photo by Jacques Seckly

Terry Cannon Exhibit on Display

MELISSA TURNER
STAFF REPORTER

Hunter Museum of American Art boasts a wide selection of works ranging from Hudson River School landscapes and American Impressionism to contemporary realism, sculpture and glass art. But Hunter Museum also exhibits the works of local aspiring artists such as Melissa Heffler, whose works were exhibited this year. Currently, Hunter Museum is hosting an exhibit of paintings by Terry Cannon, a local, self-taught artist.

Cannon was very creative as a child. As he entered the teenage years, however, Cannon decided that pursuing artistic endeavors was a

waste of time. But without a creative outlet, Cannon soon found a void in his life, which he tried to fill with an alternative lifestyle. Cannon spent time in 1989 led him to a spiritual renewal and a return to art.

It is said that Cannon's art is an expression of his "gratitude in being a participant in the journey of life" (www.hachadala.com/terrycannon/terrycannon.html). "I believe we each have our gifts from the Creator...and it takes courage to discover and honor these gifts. I feel completely connected to a higher power when I am making art, and I love it when people react to my work with smiles and laughter. It reminds me that we are all connected," Cannon says.

According to a recent review in the Chattanooga Times-Free Press, the collection of Cannon's artwork on display at Hunter Museum incorporates imagery and symbolism painted through mediums of acrylics, pigments and several other components which are then fired to give a shiny surface texture. The subjects range from a girl playing a guitar with a crowned crow next to her, to a whimsical crown proudly dominating her crown. "They are loaded with symbolism and depart a bit from what I normally do," Cannon mentions.

The exhibit features more than just Cannon's paintings alone. The series of paintings, appropriately named *Every Figure Tells a Story*, is accompanied by stories written by

children from the Normal Park Museum Magnet School. Cannon displayed his paintings at the school and the students observed two paintings each and wrote stories to go with the paintings. Cannon decided to use the students' stories as a component of his exhibition because "they are so uncensored with their creativity and thoughts." The children's stories include dancing flowers and crows that become kings.

Terry Cannon's artwork and the stories from the students at Normal Park Museum Magnet School are on exhibit at the Hunter Museum of American Art through Nov. 2. Student rates are \$3 per person. The museum hours are Tuesday through Friday from 9:30 to 5 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m.

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT RELIGION

The Religion Section of the Southern Accent is looking for **testimonies, missionary experiences, spiritual triumphs and struggles, stories of answered prayer, and ministry profiles. Interested in sharing yours?**

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ROBERT JACOBSON
GUEST COMMENTATOR

Bertrand Russell once said of religion, "Fear is the basis of the whole thing—fear of the mysterious, fear of defeat, fear of death." Seventh-day Adventists have had quite an advantage over other

Christian denominations in this respect. The God of our literature usually comes across as a fellow always on our side cheering for us, and we tend to reject the version of the doctrine of hell that has been the sword to the throats of so many forced, so to speak, to convert by their fear. In spite of all this, I think Russell is too often right, even today.

We are afraid of ourselves, of our desires and temptations. We cannot afford the devil an inch. The slope is too slippery. We are afraid of our culture, the meat-eaters and alcohol drinkers. We are afraid of being callous of—or even unconsciously assimilated into—an immoral world with all of its wonderful vices.

Most importantly, we are so very afraid of our parents and their church. The memory of the bitter old man hissing at us to, "for heaven's sake be quiet and reverent in the sanctuary," still makes us tremble. The idea of a different kind of religion from the sterile, distant religion of our parents means, perhaps, heresy, a forsaking of the "true" religion of the musty hymnals and heavy Bibles of our childhood.

And how have many of our friends done just that? Incapable of coming to terms with their parents' faith and incapable or unwilling to

develop a faith of their own, they give up on the whole thing. Very quickly they discover that the vision of the world are not to be feared. The sun still rises in the morning. While once they were afraid to not have God as their advocate, now they no longer fear the thoughtless. They no longer believe in him.

This kind of fear does not belong in my religion. Wherever you are dealing with the omnipotent creator of the universe, there always must be a place for fear. The foundation of my religion—the basis of the whole thing—is a personal relationship with God. I do not believe because I am afraid to believe. Rather, I believe because I speak and He answers, because He is not only an answerer but also a whole ocean of other things—things that perhaps the Church or my parents had not even discovered yet. I simply cannot fear these other trivialities when I am before the awe of the transcendent, the mystery of all reality, the Creator God of my faith. We should then, leave those fears in the shadow-lands from which we so desperately wish to depart. I cannot hear the hiss of the old man: the hiss of the trumpets rings too loudly in my ear.



L. R. Adam Williams, Stephanie Clergy, Sarah Jackson, pray Tuesday at noon by the waterfront on the promenade. The group of 15 students meet everyday at noon during the semester.

Photo by Joann Selzer

The repairing of my life

SEAN REED
BIRMINGHAM FIELD

When I took my car to a mechanic a few weeks ago to have a new muffler installed, the archaic duly informed me that the front ball joints and control arms also needed to be replaced. The quoted price of over \$800 seemed a bit pricey—that would be over two weeks wages. After asking my room mate what ball joints and control arms were, I decided to replace them myself. Four hours on a drizzly Friday morning definitely would be adequate to complete the job, I assumed. I was wrong—four hours were spent getting only one nut off. Five days later I crawled out from under my car for the last time. What I thought would be an enjoyable morning repair became for my roommate and me five days of grease filled mornings, afternoons, and evenings.

The work of Jesus today in my life is a work of repair, much like the repair of a car. The repair of my car, however, was relatively easy and quick compared to the ongoing repair of my life. The frustration felt after tugging on a wrench for three and a half hours with no apparent progress is insignificantly small compared to the overwhelming frustration and despair that comes with failing spiritually or morally. Jesus' repair of my life, though, does not cease because of my mistakes nor does it continue based on my accomplishments. Jesus is working in my life based on two reasons.

First and foremost, He loves me. Secondly, I invited Him into my life when I accepted His gift of salvation.

Christ's love for each person is clearly evident in the Bible and is a central theme consistent throughout all of scripture. As God expresses His love to various Bible characters, He is confirming His love for you and me individually. As God intervenes in the lives of Bible figures such as Moses and Rahab, He is expressing His desire to intervene in our lives as well. The love of God is most clearly evident, however, in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. The apostle John states this in his first epistle, "This is how God showed his love to us: He sent his one and only Son into the world so that we could have life through Him" (1 John 4:9, New Century Version).

The gift of salvation freely available to every person (Romans 5:18; Romans 14:6; 11 Peter 2:9) is something that our finite human minds cannot completely understand, and yet it is one of the most fundamental and basic truths presented in the Bible. Salvation comes into my life through the proclamation of the Gospel—the Good News of what Jesus did and is doing for me. God is shown to me and as a result I realize my condition as a sinner, hopeless and in despair. Jesus is offered as the only hope for redemption and life and His love draws me to Him (Genesis 21:3). When I accept His gift of salvation, I am transformed from a hopeless sinner into a saved child of almighty God.

The sign in front of a small repair shop in Sydney, Australia, reads: "Everything mended here, except broken hearts." The exception for that repair shop is the specialty of Jesus for truly salvation is simply the mending of broken hearts and broken lives. Jesus is repairing my heart and my life and He will do the same for you.

Editors note:
During the next few weeks, this column will look at each aspect of salvation in a personal way—attempting to discover what can make Jesus' sacrifice and offered gift relevant and real in our lives. Your thoughts and comments on this subject are welcome, as well as your personal experiences with Jesus. Please e-mail seanreed@southern.edu with your thoughts and comments.

Church Schedule

For October 24, 2003

Compiled by Sean Reed

CHURCH

Collegedale Church
Korean Youth Church
Spanish-American Church
McDonald Road Church
Hamilton Community Church

TIME

9:00 and 11:30
11:00
9:00 and 11:45
9:50 and 11:25
11:30

SPEAKER

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Manuel V Mendizabal
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In the Land of the Living
Exploring New Frontiers

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To have your church included in the weekly church schedule, e-mail: seanreed@southern.edu.

Collegiate Adventist values are sliding

Church leaders fear colleges, universities drifting away from Adventist values

WENDI ROGERS
ANN STAFF

The concern that Adventist colleges and universities worldwide are moving away from the church's traditional Adventist values was described in a report presented by the Adventist Church's Commission on Higher Education to the delegates of Annual Council Oct. 14 at the church's world headquarters in Silver Spring, Maryland.

"Take special note of indicators which suggest that as a whole our educational institutions and programs are slowly but surely sliding in the direction away from orthodoxy to secularism," said Gerald D. Karst, a general vice president of the world church, who chaired the commission. "Some major issues have surfaced in this report."

The report highlights a number of issues, including the Adventist faculty who are trained at non-Adventist institutions as well as an increasing number of faculty and students who are not Adventist church members. The commission estimates that by 2010 about 26 percent of the faculty and 46 percent of students at church institutions of higher learning will not be Adventist.

The statistics in the report are a serious concern for Adventist education according to church officials. The fear is that the report now places some Adventist colleges and universities at a crossroad as they gradually move further away from the Adventist philosophy of education.

Dr. Garland Dulan, education director for the world church who

explained the findings, said the report refers in many instances to the published work of three education experts who have studied the effects of secularization on faith-based institutions. "By observing indicators pointed out by these authors, we can see a trend toward secularization in the Adventist education system," Dulan said.

The commission on higher education made six recommendations for "immediate implementation." The first group sought to strengthen the Adventist philosophy of education among faculty "who have not been adequately exposed to these topics."

"I think it's a matter of cultivating a culture on the campus where everybody is geared to what Adventist mission and thought it all about," said Dr. Bertil Wiklander, president of the church in the Trans-European region. "This is cultivated by devotionals, by the way the leadership relates to the staff."

Wiklander referred to the recommendation that graduate level courses on Adventist values be taken by faculty trained at institutions that are not Adventist and said, "I would see taking a course as something very superficial. I can think of cases where teachers where I worked took courses, but it never led them to change of attitude. But talking to them personally, praying with them, having a constant conversation about these matters, suggesting books for them to read and evaluate, and then coming back to it in a personal way. That I found to be more helpful."

Other recommendations

include seeking ways in which students, faculty, and board members can continually be exposed to the teachings of the church and its education philosophy.

The final group of recommen-

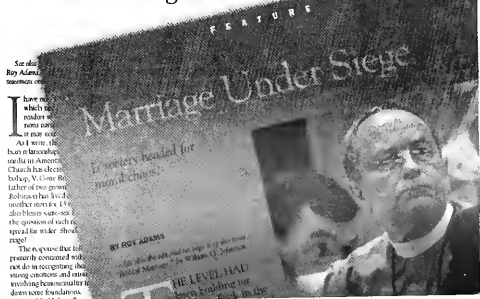
Some Adventist educators feel that the growing number of students and faculty that are not Adventist may not be the entire problem.

"Even if you have a 100 percent

culture change from a top-down approach."

Jung Kwon Chun, president of the church in Korea, reported that the majority of students at the church's Sahmyook University in

Biblical Marriage



World Church takes a stand

The Seventh-day Adventist church on Homosexuality

In the October 2, 2003, issue of the Adventist Review, William G. Johnson and Roy Adams discuss in separate articles the issue of homosexuality in relation to the church. An official church state-

ment on marriage is also included. These articles are available online at www.adventistreview.org/2003-1540/story2.html.

dations called for a series of sub-committees to be formed to study the increased secularization of Adventist institutions of higher learning.

Adventist faculty, 95 percent Adventist students...the trend for secularization is still a problem in any campus," said Dick Osborn, president of Pacific Union College in Angwin, California.

"Even with those indicators, there [are] still tremendous trends that are taking place. I think we need to involve a broader area in hearing recommendations than we have," he added. "You've done an excellent job of independent surveys, you've met with each of the [church] divisions, you've gotten a lot of statistical data and input from those divisions, but we've heard nothing since then. We now have several months that I think we can begin to involve grass roots. Because you cannot create

Korea are not Adventist church members, but he doesn't view that as a problem. "That is good for our mission," he said, adding that some of the students have since been baptized into the Adventist Church. Chun explained that the teachers at Sahmyook University are "sincere Adventist church members" and "are eager to teach the message."

The motion to receive the report and its recommendations was voted unanimously by Annual Council delegates. Subcommittees will address the items for further study and recommendations will be brought to Spring Meeting in 2004. View the full Commission on Higher Education report at www.adventist.org.

Correction

The last issue of the Accent stated that Nathan Nickel is a junior theology major. He is in fact a senior theology major.

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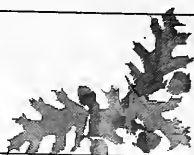
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LL Redi Burger	12/19 oz.	41.00	29.00	2.75
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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Marty Hamilton

Despite the pagan, spiritualistic history of Halloween, many believe it is merely a harmless, fun holiday. After all, we don't perform human sacrifices any more, and the treats far outnumber the tricks. But is it really wise for us to celebrate a holiday and follow traditions created to honor and appease the souls of the dead? Should the children among us be learning stories of ghosts, goblins, and spirits? H-H-H... Christmas and Easter?

"Assassins in Hiding"

Letter to the Editor

Homosexuality. Continued

Correction

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Thumbs up, Thumbs down

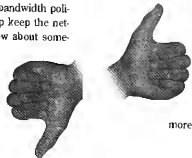


Thumbs up to football intramurals. Scheduling has been fairly streamlined and the sportsmanship has been great. Thanks a lot to the physical education dept.

Thumbs down to datel errors. Many students have found that they were unable to login to datel via the web. Please get these problems worked out and thanks for making these features available.



Thumbs down to an undynamic bandwidth policy. We appreciate the rules that help keep the network usable for the masses, but how about something that allows students to have unlimited bandwidth during part of the early morning or something, that way student concentrate downloads during a certain time instead of having to monitor downloads all day so as not be kicked.



Thumbs up to teachers who give early mid-terms and finals. By scheduling early tests, teachers free up their student during mid-term / finals week and make life a lot more livable.

Response to homosexuality article

HEATHER JANETZKO
Guest Contributor

In James 2:10 it says "And the person who keeps all of the laws except one is as guilty as the person who has broken all of God's laws." (NLT) In the September 26 issue of the Accent I read an article called "Homosexuality and the SDA Church". While I do agree with Ryan Child that homosexuality is wrong and that the Bible clearly states this, I think there is another level to the issue.

In John 8:1-11 the Pharisees brought a woman they had caught in adultery before Jesus and said "The law of Moses says to stone her. What do you think?" This was a perfect opportunity for Jesus to stand up and share his beliefs. He had a great chance to talk about all the wrong things about adultery, expound on the ten-commandments, and condemn the woman before Him. However Jesus didn't

do this. He answered the Pharisees question by kneeling down and writing in the dust the sins of the accusers before Him. Probably not all of the woman's accusers had committed adultery, so by this act Jesus implies that the sins the Pharisees had committed, whether they were big or small, gave them absolutely no right to condemn her. Then Jesus said, "All right, go ahead and stone her. But let those who have never sinned throw the first stones." No one threw a pebble. One by one the accusers disappeared. Then Jesus turned to the woman and asked "Where are your accusers? Didn't even one person condemn you?" "None Lord" was the woman's reply. Jesus said, "Neither do I." Jesus, the only one in the world with the right to judge a person, didn't lecture the woman on his beliefs. He accepted the woman for who she was and the way she was and loved her, know-

ing that His love not His accusations could make all the difference.

To God all sin is the same. To God murder, lying, stealing, cheating, premarital sex, adultery, and homosexuality are all the same — they are sin and all sin to God is worthy of death.

I do not think it is right for anyone to judge another person or to consider her or himself to be less of a sinner. To God even good of Southern students are as filthy as a child molester. That is where the beauty of the grace of Jesus Christ comes in. Because of His love for us he died on a cross and if we accept Jesus in our heart then His blood covers our sins.

My point is that all of us are in the same boat — even with homosexuals. So do not look down on them. Treat them with the same love, respect, and compassion that Jesus shows all of us.



Is Southern's no jewelry policy justified?

File photo by Angela Carter

Jewelry: why not?

STRATTON TINGLE
Guest Contributor

Apparently, some students feel that the no-jewelry policy on campus is wrong and unjustified, and consequently choose to openly break the rules in defiance of the old-fashioned, ultraconservative law.

That is not smart. Every student on campus signed a contract that says he or she will abide by Southern's rules, and, since there is a no-jewelry policy on the rulebooks, it's a lost cause to wear jewelry around and expect to get away with it. The majority of students and faculty stand behind the rule, so it's not very likely to change, even if action is taken against it.

Those of you that know me or have seen me around campus are probably going to think that I'm a hypocrite for backing the school on their stance on jewelry, when I wear a brightly colored Massal bracelet around my wrist everyday.

Well, first of all, jewelry is not a salvation issue for me. I have never had a problem with adorning myself in gaudy, flashy metal or vainly arraying myself in expensive ornaments. I wear my Massal

bracelet along with my dreadlocks as a symbol of my previous year as a student missionary. Comments about my bracelet often spark conversations about Christ with perfect strangers and I have found that wearing it has greatly aided in my outreach as a devoted Christian. Not only do I wear my jewelry for Christ, but I have never been asked to take it off. If I am asked, I will probably concede simply because I too signed that contract, promising to comply with Southern's laws.

I commend those members of faculty who enforce the rules made by the administration. The faculty who don't enforce the rules lessen the effectiveness of our administration by encouraging disrespect for the school by students. You might say that I'm a walking contradiction, but I want

you to know that I've made it a point to conceal my jewelry in some situations so as not to offend certain members of the faculty, and, consequently, not get "caught". I encourage all of you who are pro-jewelry to do the same. As long as it's not seen, doesn't really matter. Then again, what's the point of wearing jewelry, if nobody's going to see it.

Thoughts on a Christian Walk

Dear Editors:

First of all, I want to say that I am impressed by those who got up and sang for the lawn concert. I do not have the guts get up there or the talent to stay on pitch. Secondly, Andrew Bermudez, you had guts to write what you did. My comments here are not only directed at those who performed, but those of us who perform everyday in the show called life.

I have been married for 15 months and have learned how guys are wired, specifically what to wear and what not to wear. As an example, one day at work I got looked up and down. I asked my husband why and he explained that my shirt was form fitting. Not wanting to

attract any more attention from any other male customers, I decided not to wear that outfit again.

The Christian walk is difficult enough without me intentionally or not, tempting someone to think inappropriate thoughts about me. Some would say, "Well, they shouldn't think that way" and you have a part to play in each others salvation? Are we not called to be watchful for our brethren? God calls us to lift each other up to a higher religious experience. When you dress like the world, will the world see God? Are we not called to be witnesses for the light, how will people see the light when they can't keep their eyes off our chests?

In response to the young lady who felt judged, was it not conceived as possible that by placing yourself in the spotlight of this university and the city of Chattanooga that you would be opening yourself up to critique? Considering the religious overtones of the event it was conceivable that your particular views on the freedom of Christian expression might be different from others. Within the context of the family of Christ we are called to ensure that our siblings are upholding Christ as the standard for conduct.

Sincerely,
Angela Diane Harelbotte

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT SPORTS



Guys Flagball Game

photo by Kimberly Nabel

Cocoa Butter Slides Past All-Madden, 21-15

MARK GUNTHER

SOUTH WORTH STORIES

In Men's Northern Division Flag Football on Monday night, the All Madden team dropped to 0-1 on the season after a difficult loss to the Cocoa Butter team with a score of 21-15. The game started off well for the All Madden team as they converted an interception to the very first play of the game then scored on the following drive. Cocoa Butter scored on three straight opportunities, expanding their lead to 21 points.

Despite a late score in the first half by All Madden, the game shifted from a high scoring encounter to a defensive struggle late as both team's defenses set up injuries and zone stands. All Madden squandered time consuming drives on

attempts from too far out and their lack of a cohesive plan hurt them in the end. Cocoa Butter, however, proved that they are a worthy team to be reckoned with as their game plan was executed without a hitch.

For All Madden, Michael Valentine and Drew Bitter both caught touchdown passes, the late leading rusher deep in the end zone, and Claude Mapp caught an interception. For Cocoa Butter, Peter Krombholz, Justin Blinn and London Durham all scored in a balanced scoring output. Cocoa Butter rallied up another win giving them even more confidence coming into the stretch towards the playoffs.



Players scrimmage at guys flagball game

Photo by Kimberly Nabel

Alumni Weekend Activities Schedule

What	Where	When	Open?
Southern's Golf Classic	The Bear Trace	Friday 11 a. m.	no
Alumni Vespers: Mic Thurber	Collegedale Church	Friday 8 p. m.	yes
Hackman open	Hackman Hall	Sabbath 2 p. m.	yes
Heritage Museum open	Lynn Wood Hall	Sabbath 2-3:30 p.m.	yes
Sieve Darmody Concert	Collegedale Church	Sabbath 4 p. m.	yes
David Holt Concert	Hes P.E. Center	Sabbath 8 p. m.	tickets free with ID at dorms, Wright Hall, or the VM

Southern Golf Classic

JUELLE JAMES
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The Southern Golf Classic is one of the most anticipated events during alumni weekend. The event is a time for current students from Southern, alumni and friends to come together for fun and for a cause.

The Classic is not only medium for socialization, but also gives money to departments here at Southern.

The Classic takes place the Friday before Alumni Weekend. The funding for the event comes from fundraisers and sponsorships. The sponsors can then hold a slot to have a team play in the Classic.

Some of the money raised is given away as cash prizes in the Golf Classic but the majority of it distributed among five academic departments at Southern. The departments are pulled out of a hat each year and receive \$1000 for the school year to distribute within the department.

The department that is rewarded provides two volunteers to help participants and onlookers to get around the course without any difficulties.

The 18-hole course is divided into a number of tournament categories ranging from championship to club throwing. An average of 14 golfers participate in this golf tournament each year. Their financial support along with the money

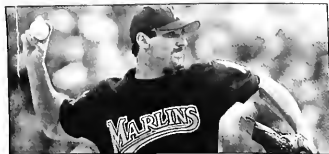
raised and donated has helped raise more than \$50,000 during the past three years.

Planning such an event is a great task.

"One of the hardest things about getting the teams together is public relations."

Howell is in charge of sending invitations, making programs, prizes, and getting the teams together for the participants' day.

Each participant will receive a windbreaker, a hand towel, a clip and a ball marker. The Classic takes place 12:30 pm, October 24 at the Bear Trace in Harrison State Park.



courtesy: http://photos.marlins.mlb.com/

World Series Predictions

DAN GRANT
SOUTH WORTH

The Florida Marlins are not supposed to be in the World Series, and while nobody thought, six months ago they would be where they are now, the question arises: Are they really that good?

They spend more money on their roster than any other team in the league, thus buying Championships every few years. As of August 31, the Yankees' roster value was \$164 million while the Marlins's was only a meager \$54 million.

The Marlins are considered the underdogs, but the players talk as though they're supposed to beat the Yankees. The Marlins have the confidence and the swagger of a team that was championships. By stealing Game One the Marlins have taken home field advantage, and with the next three games at home at Pro Player stadium they have a chance to show everyone that they have more than earned the right to be in the World Series. With Pecker, Willis, Penny and the rest of this young team, they will win this series in 6 games in front of the home crowd.



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Week of: October 23-October 30

Eric Chu
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

- 11:00 a.m. Convocation - Tim Clinton (Church)
- 2 - 5:00 p.m. Meet the Firms - Church Fellowship Hall
- 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Showcase of Service
- 5 - 6:30 p.m. SA Promenade Supper (Student Center Promenade)
- 6:30 p.m. Alumni Banquet (Dining Hall)

Alumni Homecoming (23-26)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24

- 12:30 p.m. Southern Golf Classic (The Bear Trace, Harrison Bay)
- 6:55 p.m. Sunset
- 8:00 p.m. Vespers - Mic Thurber (Church)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

- 9:00 a.m. Collegedale Church Service - Brian Strayer
- 10:00 a.m. The Third - Sam Leonor (Iles)
- 10:00 a.m. "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
- 10:00 a.m. "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)
- 11:30 a.m. Collegedale Church Service - Brian Strayer
- 11:40 a.m. The Third Encore (Upstairs Church in the Gospel Chapel)
- 2:30 p.m. FLAG Camp (Meet in front of Wright Hall)
- 3:00 p.m. Shut-In Ministry (Meet in front of Wright Hall)
- 3:30 p.m. Street Ministries (Meet in front of Wright Hall)
- 4:00 p.m. Steve Darnody Concert (Church)
- 6:30 p.m. Evensong

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

- 6 - 9:00 p.m. SA Fall Festival - Griffin Farm

Daylight Saving Time Ends, Set clocks back one hour

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27

- 8:30 a.m. Board of Trustees Meeting - White Oak Room
- 4:00 p.m. University Assembly

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28

- 11:30 a.m. Study Skills Seminar (Student Center Seminar Room)
- 6:00 p.m. Study Skills Seminar (Student Center Seminar Room)
- 7:00 p.m. Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30

- 11:00 a.m. Convocation - Rod Handley (Church)

Last day to drop a class & automatically receive a "W"
Wind Symphony Tour (30 - Nov. 2)

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

DECEMBER AND MAY GRADUATING SENIORS please return your yellow senior application to the front counter of Records & Advisement Office immediately. We need this information so that your cap and gown can get ordered on time. If you have any questions, you may call Sharon Rogers at ext. 2836 or 228-2886.

Convocation attendance program is now up and running. You can now check your convocation

credits by logging on to the on-line joker, sign in and go to "view convocation attendance". You need to get 14 credits for the semester (unless other arrangements have been made) and there are still over 14 credits available this semester. If you have any questions please e-mail pdietrich@southern.edu

The Southern Adventist University Alumni Association invites you to hear Steve Darnody in sacred concert at the Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church on Saturday, October 25, 2003, at 4:00 p.m. The concert will feature a wide variety of gospel music, and is free and open to the public. For more

information please call (423) 258-2839.

PreDental and PreDental Hygiene: The recruiter from Loma Linda School of Dentistry will be on campus November 3-5. Call Counseling and Testing at 2782 for appointment or information.

Operation Christmas Child: Pack a shoebox with gifts for kids around the world. Turn in boxes by Nov. 17. For more information stop by the SA Office or e-mail Nathan Henson at nathanh@southern.edu

ACEI (Assoc. for Childhood Education International) is helping in an international outreach. School boxes for Baghdad!!! We are asking for your help in bringing desperately needed school supplies to the children of Baghdad. The conditions are deplorable with little or no supplies with which to hold classes. This is a movement to provide school supplies directly from the States to the children and schools here in Baghdad. In doing so, we're asking from each of you a few moments of your time and few simple tasks. The soldiers will take care of the rest. Please consider the fol-

Saturday Night, 8p, Iles

Grammy award winner David Holt is dedicated to performing and preserving traditional American music and storytelling.

Holt plays 10 acoustic instruments and has released numerous recordings of traditional mountain music and southern folktales.

His audiences are constantly involved, learning to play the paper bag, applauding the vitality of his clog dancing, and more.

Students may pick up tickets from the front desk in their residence halls. If tickets are not obtained, be sure to bring Student ID to the door for entry.

lowing: Put together what you can, any school supplies (pencils, pens, paper, markers, rulers, glue, scissors, chalk, erasers, paint, etc), and drop it off in Summerer in the designated donation box. At the end of October, we will package and send the school supplies to Major Greff Sofly in Baghdad. We've been so blessed here in our country - these children still deserve a good education and to know that they are cared for. For more information contact Shannon Lozano @ shannonlozano@hotmail.com or go to www.iraqischools.com.

COLLEGE/YOUNG ADULT RETREAT TO FEATURE JON HENDERSON

Young adults and collegians are especially invited to the GODencounters Retreat, November 7-9, 2003 at Camp Kalamoon, High Springs, FL. Featured presenters include Pastor Jon Henderson and worship band, Fresh Water Ministries. Registration info is available at <http://www.GODencounters.org> or call 407-644-5000, extension 129.

Seniors Graduating December 2003: December graduation announcements may be ordered now at www.shop.jostens.com.

CLUBS & DEPARTMENTS

Parlez-vous Francais? Starting Thursday, Oct. 23, there will be a French speaking table in the Cafeteria during lunch hours. Only French will be spoken at the table, and it's open to all levels of knowledge. Come and enjoy, even if you only want to listen.

Bags of Boo - Tell someone they are booful! Order candy bags on the Promenade (Oct. 23), in the Residence Halls (October 29), or stop by the American Humanities office in the School of Journalism and Communication anytime before October 30th. American Humanities will deliver Bags of Boo on Oct. 31.

Volleyball team registration: There will be a league for three person teams and a league for 6 person teams. Secure a team registration form at the Iles Gymnasium Intramural Bulletin Board, Talge Hall, Thatcher hall or Thatcher south. Fill in all information requested and send at least one team representative to the team meeting in the Iles Lobby Classroom Thursday, October 23, at 6 PM. **FAILURE TO BE REPRESENTED AT THE MEETING MAY RESULT IN YOUR TEAM BEING EXCLUDED FROM THE LEAGUE.** Individuals may sign up by calling Dr. Pangman at 2854 or by e-mail at pangman@southern.edu. Leave your name, ID#, phone#, and any conflicts you have between 5:45 and 9:45 Monday through Thursday.

CAMPUS MINISTRIES

Vespers will be part of Alumni Weekend. Mic Thurber will be the speaker.

STUDENT ASSOCIATION

FALL FESTIVAL, compliments of the Student Association, is set and ready to explode on Sunday, October 26. Come on out to the Griffin Farm from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. for great food, fallish stuff to do, and a time to mingle with friends. Featuring "KingFisher," if you haven't heard them, you're missing out. Mark October 26 is red on your calendar - the SA Fall Fest will be the place to be!

PHOTO CONTEST: Take your best photographs at the Fall Fest and enter them the week following for a chance to win CASH! You can submit them in the SA Office or email them. Anyone is eligible. For more information see Thomas Wentworth (thomaswentworth@southern.edu) ext. 2447.

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WEEKEND LEAVES

Understanding Women

JASON KING
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

I was a junior in high school when I made one of the biggest mistakes of my life. I tried to understand women. That was my first mistake. My second was trying to communicate with them. Trying to communicate with women who you don't understand is like going to China and trying to eat a hotel room without knowing Chinese. These women had their own language. That's a unique thing about this language: women can communicate between themselves though they don't let anybody else in on it. Communicating they keep their language pretty secret, they can only speak it in certain areas. The bathroom for example. I've never seen a guy or another guy to go to the restroom with him, but girls go on restroom dates all the time. Another thing I don't understand about women is why they ask questions. Because they ask a lot of questions, and they expect us men to answer them the answers they want. So ladies, if you ever ask a guy a question and he gets this weird look over his face (Unless it's me, because I have that look all the time) it's because he's trying to remember the exact answer you wanted. It hasn't been easy trying to understand women, but I think I

have learned a lot, and know more about them than I use to.

I have figured out the perfect gift for every woman. You can't go wrong on this gift guy. I promise. The perfect gift for every woman is a mirror. They'll love it. And if it's handheld, mirror, they'll take it everywhere with them. Because as beautiful as they may be, and as beautiful as they may say for themselves, they refuse to believe it until they see for themselves. And even then sometimes they aren't happy. You can never get a woman too many mirrors.

There's something else that every mother must teach her daughters when Dad's not around and that's how to scream. Women around and that's how to scream. Women around for everything. And it doesn't matter how they feel. If they're happy they scream, if they're scared they scream, if they're excited they scream. That is part of their language they are more than happy to let us in on. Well they are the beginning of my experience in trying to understand women. And I'm sure the day will never come that I fully understand them I'm sure. But that's ok. It keeps me thinking.

The Accent doesn't agree with this guy

Top Eleven* Reasons to Come to the Dark Side (or Be an Art Major)

ERICA J. SCOTT
STAFF WRITER

There seems to be a stigma associated with being an Art Major at Southern. Well, I'm here to give you some great reasons to convert to the Dark Side of Visual Art and Design (or at least convince some of you to visit us on 2nd Bk.).

1. No midterms/exams!
10. Rolling chairs!
9. Shiny computer.
8. Get hands-on experience with models**.
7. Watching movies is considered research.

6. Macs are better than PCs. Wait, PCs are better than Macs... (um, we're confused too).

5. Learn multi-tasking: check e-mail, talk with friends, and do homework... at the same time!

4. Watching cartoons is also considered research.

3. Automatic excuse for random behavior: "No, no, it's for a class project."

2. No one makes fun of your hair.

1. Big green gloves.***

* Why eleven reasons? Because we're ART majors not math majors!

** Clay models, CG modeling, live models...

*** Come see Nathan in the 2nd floor to find out!

Although Erica Scott is not an art major.

design major, she prides herself on the many years she has put into cartoon "research."

Editor's Note:

What! You think I don't know there is another Top Ten on this page? I liked them both. I couldn't decide which to print. So I said, in a horrible abuse of my position and power, "I will print them both." SO ENJOY THEM!!!! Thank you, Your Friendly Neighborhood Humor Editor.

Insightful insights

I think it would be super-neato to have a giant eye in the back of my head so that when I get old and go bald, I could see things behind me, if only in one dimension.

by Jon Palmer

Top 10 ways to know you belong to the born lazy club

KRISTY BOROWIK
STAFF WRITER

1. You never do anything that there's a slight chance of others doing for you.
2. You never forget that you were born tired and live to relax.
3. You love your bed as you love yourself.
4. You firmly believe that work is sacred and therefore should never be touched.
5. If you see someone resting, you help him by giving him company and relaxing yourself.

6. You do as little as possible, and if some thing must be done, you get someone else to do it for you.

7. You don't do that which others can do for you.

8. You never accomplish anything that can be done later on.

9. You believe that no one has ever died because they relaxed too much, but work can kill a person.

10. On those very rare occasions that you actually get the urge to work, you sit down, reflect, and simply wait until that feeling passes.

Dorm Life – a new perspective

BECKY WHETMORE
ASSISTANT HUMOR EDITOR

I'm one of those people who likes looking at normal or accepted things in new ways. You know the type – the Dave Barrys of the world. (What, you've never heard of Dave Barry? You have no idea what you're missing!) One recommendation – start with his *Dave Barry Slept Here: A Sort of History of the United States*. It might make American History class a bit more interesting... Anyway, I was sitting in my dorm room and I got to thinking. Our dorm rooms are a lot like prison cells. Think about it.

We've got stark, cinderblock walls and hard floors (although ours are covered by extremely thin carpet), inevitably marred by years of previous inhabitants. Each person who's lived in these rooms has left their mark on it, whether it's the chipped paint, the remnants of poster putty, the hooks to hold up who knows what, or the inexplicable stains on the floors.

We have one window, allowing glimpses of the outside world. If you happen to be on First Floor, these windows barely open.

Kind of like bars, don't you think?

We have the bunk beds with plastic mattresses. While these are fairly nice quality, they still creak and squeak and make other random noises when you turn over in your sleep. This reminding anyone of anything?

To take the prison analogy even further, we have guards (aka RAs) who check every night to make sure we are securely locked down and wardens who allow us parole (weekend leaves) as long as we are on good behavior.

Our personal doors are equipped with automatic locking devices. They slam shut as soon as we enter or exit. All doors to the outside are carefully guarded and are kept magnetically locked until the wardens deem it allowable for us to exit.

Okay, did I freak you out yet? Good. Realistically, we do have some advantages over actual prison cells. We can have our own roommates. We can have our own refrigerators, microwaves, even computers in our rooms. Of course, many prisons are beginning to supply inmates with televisions in their cells. Just something to ponder...

The ducks take photography class...



by Justin Janetzko

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Life-Force unit 1, shown here in a file photo, airlifted a premature infant from campus to Erlanger Medical Center Tuesday afternoon.
File photo from <http://www.als.buck.com/news.htm>

Life-Force air lifts Collegedale infant

DON CANTRELL
News Editor

Life-Force, Erlanger Medical Center's air ambulance, landed on Southern Adventist University's front campus Tuesday evening to transport a prematurely born baby.

A 29-year-old community resident miscarried a baby who was born three to four months premature and was presumed to be stillborn said Dennis Cramer, Collegedale police chief.

Paramedics who responded to the res-

dence found the mother bleeding heavily. Paramedics said they found the infant in a plastic bag, but still alive.

Collegedale Police and Campus Safety officers secured the lawn area in front of Brock Hall so that Life-Force could land and transport the infant to Erlanger Hospital.

"This particular area of campus has been designated as the Life-Force staging area for Collegedale and surrounding communities," said Campus Safety officer Colin Petty.

Petty explained that the area was chosen because it is relatively flat, free of obstructions and easily identified by the Life-Force pilots.

Dozens of curious Collegedale residents and Southern students converged on the area, wondering what was causing the commotion.

The infant was listed in critical condition after arriving at Erlanger and late Tuesday night Channel 9 News reported that the baby was still alive.

Students Rate the Accent

LESLIE FOSTER
STAFF WRITER

Do people actually read the Accent, or are those ubiquitous stacks of newspapers only useful for extra packing material at the end of the semester? Southern students got a chance to voice their opinions about the paper this week in an informal poll.

Of the 35 students polled, 80 percent of the students surveyed said that they felt it was important to have a school newspaper. Seventy-four percent said they actually read the paper, but of those, 58 percent said that they did not read it regularly.

Opinions about the Accent's quality varied.

"It's a good paper. I read it. I love it," said Simone Da Silva, freshman nursing major.

Yornary Galindo, senior elementary education major was pleased that the Accent informed students of special events occurring in the Chattanooga area and hoped that this continued.

Not everyone was as positive about the paper.

"Most of the articles are boring—they're high school level," said Jennifer Cotto, freshman mass communications major. "Use spell-check!" she said when asked how the Accent could be improved.

When asked the same question, Alex Spearman, junior religion major emphatically stated what he would like to see at the Accent, "Real journalism—quality and content." Spearman would also like to see some accountability and accuracy in the news reporting. "Everything seems to have a slant," he said.

"The majority of the news articles come from students in the news reporting class. It's a learning tool for future reporters," said Tim Jester, managing editor of the Accent in response. "Most of these students are just starting their writing careers. We try to train them from the beginning to be as objective as possible, but that doesn't always happen."

Accent continued on page 2

Datatel allows students to check grades online

ALLEN O'BRIEN
STAFF WRITER

For the first time ever, students are able to check their midterm grades online.

Joni Zier, Director of Records and Advisement, sent students a letter over midterm break detailing the process of checking grades with Web Advisor after professors submit them.

Although the process is not yet perfect, the system seems to be moving in the right direction.

Still, some students have had difficulty logging in to check their grades.

"It hasn't worked for me yet," said Briana Soper-Blanco, freshman music major.

This reporter also had problems when trying to log on to Web Advisor. The password had to be reset by Information Systems in order for the account to be accessed. The site did work well once the password was reset.

Some students think that the change is great.

"I think it's very handy. You get to see your grades faster," said Larissa Barlow, senior computer systems administration major.

IS has been working hard to solve the glitches that come up with the Datatel system and hope to get everything in the system running smoothly soon.

"We put the priority on registration and student information for teachers," said Henry Hicks, Executive Director of IS.

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Once you can accept the universe as matter expanding into nothing that is something, wearing stripes with plaid comes easy.

—Albert Einstein

24-Hour Prayer Marathon

JANEL PETTIBONE
STAFF WRITER

The Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church invites individuals to commit 15 minutes to prayer during this weekend's "Sabbath of Prayer."

"We hope to accomplish continuous prayer for 24 hours," said Kathy Hammond, prayer ministries coordinator at Collegedale Church. "The prayer focus will be on revival in our hearts and in the church."

The prayer ministries team hopes to have participants covering each 15-minute period from sundown Friday, Oct. 31 to sundown Saturday, Nov. 1. The more people involved, the better.

"We would love to have 10 people for each of the 15 minute slots throughout the 24 hours," Hammond said.

Sign-up sheets are available in both dormitories and at the prayer center in the church. Hammond says that when participants sign up, they can also fill out an appointment card as a reminder of their rendezvous with God. She says they don't have to go anywhere special to pray; they can just stop wherever they are and pray for 15 minutes.

The "Sabbath of Prayer" will end with a special vespers of praise, prayer and sharing in the Gospel Chapel in Collegedale Church at 5:30 p.m. Saturday. Collegedale Church has never

organized a 24-hour prayer before. Hamilton Community Church, which has done this several times with exciting results, gave the prayer ministries team the idea, says Hammond.

Hammond encourages university students to participate.

"We've been trying to get the word out," Hammond said, "and I'd love to see the college students get involved."

Some students feel that signing up for a 15-minute interval is too much of an obligation and would detract from the sincerity of their prayer.

"If you sign up and then miss that time, you'll feel like you've missed it altogether, that it won't matter if you do it now," said Mike Freeland, senior graphic design major. "That obligation goes against the grain for society in general, against the individualistic mind frame. It's commitment enough to pray whenever, but a specific time frame would be too structured and controlled."

Jondelle McGhee, Southern's assistant chaplain and an interdisciplinary studies major, disagreed.

"It's neat to think of people praying all through Sabbath," she said. "There are lots of different times and places for prayer, but it's good to branch out and try something new."

She added, "Fifteen minutes isn't a long time to talk to God. After all, we talk to each other for hours on end."

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People often criticize the paper, but they very rarely do anything to help," Jester said.

He admitted that [editing] had been weak. Most of the articles submitted to the Accent are turned in after the deadline Jester says. When they do arrive, editors are working on layout and cannot focus as much on editing, he says.

The articles in the opinion section have also caused controversy.

"How do you decide which articles to place in Opinions?" Galindo asked. Some students commented that they read the section just for laughs.

"We run [those articles] under the headline 'Opinion' for a reason," Jester said. He added that the views published in the opinion section did not necessarily reflect the views of Accent staff. An unhappy reader can always write a letter to the newspaper commenting on a subject, he says.

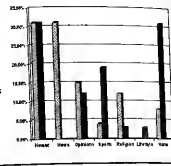
Jester concluded, "If [an article's] content is representative of a Christian university and is manageable to edit, there's a good chance we'll publish it."



Do you read the Accent?

Data compiled by Leslie Foster

Favorite sections



Morning Pointe Assisted Living Center Activities Director, Karen Wood (center), helped members of Southern Writers' Club interview residents for published biographies in the center's newsletter. Photo by Melita Puig

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Students tell life stories of Morning Pointe residents

MELITA PUIG
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Southern Adventist University's Writers' Club has been involved in the publication of a monthly newsletter at Collegedale Morning Pointe, a local assisted living center. The bulk of the newsletter is produced by Karen Wood, the activities Director at Morning Pointe.

Heidi Martella and other aspiring writers from Southern participate in this newsletter by writing a biography of a resident to be featured in each issue. Southern students were chosen because of the school's respect and involvement in the past.

"They do a nice job and the residents enjoy fellowshiping with them," said Wood.

Wood described an incident wherein English department professor Helen Pyke brought a group of students on Community Service Day to interview the residents. "They wrote enough biographies to cover a whole summer," recalled Wood.

With the help of her daughter Alicia, a student at Southern, Wood was able to find willing writers to assist with her project.

Heidi Martella frequently interviews the residents of Morning Pointe. "It's fun and relaxing for me to go and visit with these people,"

said Martella. "Every contact I had with them has been positive." In addition to interviewing residents, Martella interviewed Beverly Kinney, executive director of Morning Pointe.

The newsletter consists of a variety of items and a crossword puzzle and word search. Sometimes a puzzle from one of the residents or a poem from the month is included on the newsletter.

Through the newsletter, Wood wants to affirm the residents and build a family atmosphere.

"I wanted to help residents who they live with," added Wood.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

National Hug-a-Bear Day approaches

TIFFANY TUELL
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Friday, Nov. 7th, is National Hug-a-Bear day! To celebrate this holiday, why not give someone an extra special gift? Build-A-Bear is the perfect place to do just that. With Build-A-Bear you can create your own personalized stuffed animal.

The first step is to choose the kind of stuffed animal you want. Even though there are various types of teddy bears including panda and koala bears, there are also dogs, rabbits, lions, tigers, horses, turtles and cats to choose from. Some new furry friends that are coming out include a unicorn, a poodle, and a reindeer.

Once you have chosen your furry

friend, it can then be stuffed. To make it extra special, you may add little hearts with special messages written on them to go inside the stuffed animal with the stuffing. You can stuff your animal with various sounds-makers that can be heard when the animal is squeezed. You can even create a personalized message for the recipient of the stuffed animal.

Once the bear is stuffed and stitched, you are then able to accessorize your bear. You may dress it according to a number of different occupations, or according to various hobbies and sports—whichever way you would like. There are dozens of accessories to choose from to be added to the stuffed animal. You

may even add up to three lines of embroidery to your furry friend. It may be personalized with names, dates, special occasions or a message of your choice.

Build-A-Bear is a great place to do something special for that special person in your life. Whether it is your girlfriend or boyfriend, mom or dad, brother or sister or a friend, it is a great gift that will let them know that you were thinking of them. These stuffed animals are great for birthdays, showers, holidays or simply to say, "I'm thinking about you."

Build-A-Bear is located at Hamilton Place in Chattanooga. For more information you can visit its web site at www.buildabear.com or call at (423) 499-8999.



<http://www.buildabear.com>

Two used bookstores reviewed

RENE WILLIAMS
SEAF WRITER

Next to the Walnut Street Bridge on Frazier Avenue, A Novel Idea is a small, quiet used bookstore with merchandise ranging from classic literature with elegant binding to books by local authors. In contrast, the warehouse-sized McKay Used Books & CDs is usually full of customers looking at its large selection of books and CDs. Both stores buy, sell and trade used books. But the differing

selection and atmospheres give each bookstore its own niche.

A Novel Idea has a cozy atmosphere, with an unfinished feel to the wooden floors and bookcases and exposed brick walls. A display of candles next to the cash register gives the air a pleasant aroma.

The store is an ideal place for book collectors or anyone seeking books on regional history.

A Novel Idea's central location in downtown Chattanooga makes it a natural place for tourists to

visit. It also has a group of loyal customers who stop in regularly, store owner Karen Poole said.

Poole makes a point of getting to know her regular customers and what types of books they like. "If we get anything new in their interest, we'll call them," she said.

McKay's larger selection makes it an ideal place to look for specific books, authors or genres. It has multiple copies of many famous books, so customers can choose which copy of a book they

want to buy.

McKay's also has a large textbook section. "If I have an expensive literature textbook that I need, I definitely look [at McKay] first," said Amanda Knight, senior English major.

A bin in front of the store holds books that the store can't sell, which customers can take home for free. Knight said she takes advantage of the free bin and many prices by getting books to cut up for use in art projects.

Both stores are well worth booklovers' time and money, each for different reasons. A Novel Idea has a more personal atmosphere, and employees are willing to put a lot of effort into helping customers find rare books. On the other hand, McKay is more likely to have the common books most customers are looking for. Instead of choosing between the two, visit both to experience each one for its own literary treasures and bargains.

TONY'S BUSINESS BEAT

Section compiled by Tony Castelbuono

Q&A

You Ask It, We Print It... Now Read All About It!

Please email your questions and comments
to tonysbusinessbeat@yahoo.com.

Question: If you worked for a big corporation and you could take \$10,000 without anyone ever finding out, what would you do? Why?



"I probably wouldn't take it. I don't like taking things without earning it, whatever money I get I like to feel that it's because of the work I do and not because I took money that wasn't mine."
-Danny Chellish, Junior, Biochemistry

"I wouldn't take the money because a company run on unethical principles is not a company I would want to work for."
-Katie Sheffield, Junior, History



"I hope I wouldn't take it because my conscience would bother me."
-Danielle Coon, Freshmen, Social Work



"I wouldn't take it. He who is faithful in little can be trusted with much. I want God to be able to trust me with heavenly treasure."
-Reed Richard, Junior, Theology



"I wouldn't take it because it's not morally right. However, if they were making millions off of me and I were making millions off of me, then I might take the money."
-Keelan Tuel, Junior, Computer Science

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Accountant's psalm

The Lord is my chief corporate accountant, I am confident in Him. I rest assured in His ability to manage all my assets and my liabilities. He carefully prepares my financial statements so that my blessings in profits are innumerable. He restores my confidence in Him continuously.

He directs me in my investments of stocks of humility and bonds of love, fitting and charitable contributions for His name's sake. His Holy Spirit assists in the

financial planning; as a result my coffers are running over and I am certain of eternal security.

Yea, though the economy threatens insolvency, I will not be ashamed nor afraid; for my accountant is also my advocate.

He lays down all the facts before my creditors insuring them that my accounts are no longer in the red. He has paid all my debts in full from my Calvary reserves.

Now I know that surplus and windfalls will follow me all the days of my life; and I will enjoy the benefits of partnership with Him in the corporation of heaven.

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT RELIGION

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Friday

Bietz responds to commission's report

SEAN REED
RELIGION EDITOR

Last week the Accent published an article from the Adventist News Network regarding a report issued by the Adventist church's Commission on Higher Education. The report, delivered recently to the General Conference Executive Committee at the Annual Council, expressed concerns that Seventh-day Adventist institutions of higher education are drifting away from Adventist values towards secularization. The article is available online at adventist.org.

Gordon Bietz, president of Southern, answered a number of questions regarding the commissions report—specifically in regards to Southern—in an e-mail interview last week. His response brims with optimism and assurance that Southern is on the right track.

ACCENT: The Commission on Higher Education's report expressed a concern that Adventist colleges and universities are moving away from traditional Adventist values. What is your reaction to this report?

BIEZ: I am glad that the world church leaders are looking at education and seeking ways to improve. As the membership of the church explodes in some areas of the world there is also rapid expansion of institutions of higher education and those new colleges and universities need direction from the church.

ACCENT: Do you see Southern as moving away from traditional Adventist values?

BIEZ: No.

ACCENT: The report found that this was a general trend around the world. Is Southern an exception to the majority of Adventist colleges and universities in this regard?

BIEZ: Yes.

ACCENT: The report listed three

contributing issues: Adventist faculty trained at non-Adventist higher education institutions, increasing numbers of non-Adventist students (estimated to be 28% by 2010), and increasing numbers of non-Adventist students (estimated to be 40% by 2010). Do you see these as contributing factors?

BIEZ: I don't think graduate work at non-Adventist schools is a significant factor. I do believe it is difficult to maintain Adventist institutions if an increasing percentage of the faculty and student body are not members of the SDA church. The culture of a university is created by the faculty and student body, not by who owns the buildings or the name on the school.

ACCENT: Does Southern have a considerable number of non-Adventist faculty?

BIEZ: No. It is our policy to hire no full time non-Adventist employees.

ACCENT: The report states that these statistics place Adventist colleges and universities at a crossroad as they gradually move further away from the Adventist philosophy of education. Do you see Adventist higher education institutions, and specifically Southern, as currently moving away from an Adventist philosophy of education and Adventist values towards secularization?

BIEZ: We must not remain static in our understanding of the church and the world or we are in danger of being trapped in the accoutrements of the past with no relevance to the present. We don't want to be a museum of the pieties of previous generations; on the other hand neither do we want to be co-opted by secularization. For that reason we are now in a process of increasing our focus on our mission and bringing greater clarity to our raison d'être. So in reality I see us moving closer to the Adventist philosophy of education.

ACCENT: Can we expect this trend to cease, for Adventist institutions to head back toward the Adventist philosophy of education?

BIEZ: It depends on the school. It is important that we remember that this report references 90 schools around the world and we must not generalize the findings of the report to one specific school. On the whole I believe that because of this report there will be increased attention paid to the trends in SDA higher education and that attention should result in moving schools closer to the Adventist philosophy of education.

ACCENT: What is the Adventist philosophy of education?

BIEZ: The integration of faith as understood by the SDA church into all learning activity.

ACCENT: Does Southern have a strategy to ensure that this school retains an Adventist philosophy of education and continues to strive to instill Adventist values in students?

BIEZ: As I referenced above we are at the present time working with the Strategic Planning Committee and the Board of Trustees to restate our mission so we can be confident that we are on track of instilling Adventist values in students.

ACCENT: Where do you see Southern eight years from now in regards to values and educational philosophy?

BIEZ: I believe we will be more intentional and clear in our focus on our mission as an institution of higher learning for the SDA church. We will not be more "secularized." It is my goal that we be seen as a counter culture movement where we don't follow worldly trends but, as Jesus said we "are the light of the world."

Church Schedule

For October 31, 2003

Compiled by Sean Reed

CHURCH	TIME	SPEAKER	TITLES
Chattanooga First Church	9:45 and 11:00	Pastor Fred R. Fuller	"Spooks and Spiritualism: Trick or Trap?"
Collegedale Church	9:00 and 11:30	Mike Fulbright	
Collegedale Spanish Church	9:00 - 11:45		
Hamilton Community Church	11:30		
McDonald Road Church	8:50 and 11:25	Don Gettys	"In the Home of Boaz"
The Third	10:00	Mike Fulbright	

*Denotes Communion Sabbath

To have your church included in the weekly church schedule, e-mail: seanreed@southern.edu.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT Opinion

The Golden Rule

They who supply the gold make the rules

RYAN CHILD
OPINION COLUMNIST

Why are we paying so much money to go to Southern when our opinions about how we live fall on deaf ears year after year? The decision makers here should be the people who pay the bills; these people are—indirectly—us.

So we have a student senate. Ideally the senate would actually address the concerns of its constituency efficiently and maybe even change things that need changing. They should focus on things that matter without becoming bogged down with frivolous and pointless issues. If they aren't voicing our opinions and getting things done, then they might as well not have meetings. When was the last time that we had a meeting where valid opinions were voiced

and REAL changes were made to MAJOR issues and the way things are done here?

For example, last year we had a student senate meeting for all students during worship in Thatcher chapel. Of the many valid opinions stated, no major changes have occurred. At one meeting there was a strong desire voiced by a majority to loosen the rules for TV viewing in the student center. Naturally, nothing happened.

Inaction seems to be as much a part of Southern life as Little Debbie's and recycled cafeteria food. Should this be tolerated? I don't think so. What would be the harm in letting us watch, do and say things here the same as we did them at home. For the next 7 months Southern is supposed to be our home.

Southern operates under a phi-

losophy of being our parents away from home. If someone else is going to try to be my parent, in a place that is supposed to wean people into their own self-sufficiency, one can reasonably expect that the real parents have some input. Or is it that the administration believes that it knows better how to do things than the actual parents do? It certainly would appear so in some instances.

In a rapidly changing world, holding on to regulations that do not reflect the needs and desires of the students hurt the University and prevent it from realizing its full potential. Let this year be the year that the rules in the books begin to more closely resemble the beliefs and opinions of its residents, dare I say, clients.

Don't give up

ANDREW BERMUDEZ
OPINION COLUMNIST

Just a week or two ago, we all received our long-awaited midterm grades. Of course you were thrilled to get a first official look at how well you are doing in all your classes, right? You marveled at how that WebAdvisor page listed a pretty row of A's next to each of your classes. Or maybe not. If so, then congratulations, and keep up the good work!

But maybe the vowels in your grade list were far outnumbered by the consonants—maybe even an F or two appeared in that grade column. Perhaps you're a little discouraged about the results of your classes. The work just gets harder and harder; you're busier than ever; and you feel hopelessly behind. "Why even bother?" you might wonder. At this juncture in the semester, it may seem like all you can do is give up. But don't get too discouraged. First of all, pray to the Lord for guidance and wisdom. He is the source of all knowledge, and it's only through Him that we have any understanding at

all. Then, if you're having trouble with a particular concept, get help! Ask someone in your class who seems to be understanding things. Track down a friend who is skilled in that particular area. Find out when tutoring is available, and go ask for help. If no one seems to be able to help you, go to the teacher. After all, that's what they are here for—to help each of us understand the things they teach. The Center for Learning Success is available in the library and is ready to help you with whatever academic problem you may have. Maybe you need to drop a class in order to have time to study and understand your other classes.

The key is, whatever it takes, there's still hope. You can succeed if you just set your mind to it, manage your time wisely, get help when you need it, and above all, don't get discouraged. It may take some hard decisions, and a lot of extra work, but in the end it will be worth it. You're not alone; there are resources all around you ready to help.

Letter to the editor

Dear Editor,

In the six years that I have attended Southern, I have never been ashamed to be associated with this university. Until now. The behavior of my peers at the Badura-Scholar Trio concert on Tuesday, October 21, was truly appalling. If it had been just one or two disrespectful actions throughout the course of the concert, it would have been one thing. But this behavior was widespread and constant.

The cell phones, the pictures, the constant buzz of talking, the blatant applause in the middle of nearly every multi-movement piece, the overly constant distraction of people coming and going throughout the concert, even while the performers were playing, all of it was truly embarrassing. I realize that not everyone on this campus has had the opportunity to become educated on proper concert behavior,

but if you are one of those who are not up to date on your concert etiquette, please take a lesson from those around you. If others are not applauding, then for the sake of your own dignity, don't applaud. It is the easiest way to avoid embarrassment. Don't run in and out all night long. If you can't sit still or can't at least wait until intermission to leave the auditorium, don't come. And above all, if the only reason you are coming to a concert is for the conversation credit and not for the enjoyment of the music and the education you can gain from the musical expression of the experiences of others, then by all means, STAY HOME. Convocation credit isn't worth it.

If some of you had read the notes on the back of your programs, you would have realized the huge honor it was to have performers of this caliber on our campus and you

would have treated them with the respect that is due them. Instead they were treated as if they have nothing to contribute to the world, and for that I am truly sorry. If you had been a little more attentive and respectful, you might have realized something about yourselves and your humanity. Instead, you let a golden moment slip by without allowing yourselves the opportunity to face a reflection of the human race in some of its most glorious moments. All we have to give is ourselves. I hope you will remember that the next time you contemplate coming to a concert brought to you by world-class musicians. We are privileged to host such artists. Let's please make them feel at home and welcome.

Sincerely, Cayanna Brown
Senior Music Education Major

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT SPORTS

Maynard's week 9 NFL picks

MAURICE MAYNARD
Sports Reporter

HE CAN GO ALL THE WAY!!!! is getting old for the uncatchable special teams hero Dante Hall, for the Kansas City Chiefs. If you don't put all your focus into stopping him before he reaches the 40 yard line, then you better believe, HE WILL GO ALL THE WAY!

He is the undisputed truth who thrives on fancy footwork, quick slashes, and pretty much making his opponents look bad. I smell MVP for him this year even though John Madden himself said "That as a punt and kickoff returner, there will be no way he will get it." One this is for sure though, if he is on the field, you can expect a great show full of excitement that just builds from each game. Moving on, what can we expect for week 9? Let's start with those hungry Dolphins that are always hungry for some fresh fish. They have a home game with the very smart Indianapolis Colts, who will hurt their opponents sleeping. Ricky has been quiet for his last few games and it might just be that time to break out of his hibernation

and rush for over 150 yards, which will keep the fans still cheering after the Florida Marlins amazing triumph over the Yankees to in the other side of the map where Pittsburgh looks to find victory in Seattle. The Steelers have been a little shaky thus far in the season, but they hope to have a huge win to the very tough Seahawks. Pittsburgh's head coach, Bill Cowher, knows that big wins on the road offers the best inspiration and motivation for your team.

Regardless of how he feels, Seattle is going to take this home game straight to the bank after losing that close game to the Cincinnati Bengals last week. We will see this week up with Monday night game New England vs. Denver. This will be a game with suffocating defense for the Patriots, and explosive offense for the Broncos. Most will say good defense leads to great offense, which wins games but I am putting my money on the Broncos because they will take the win all the way to the house.



Injured Justin Kibyka is carried off the field by Trojan teammates T.J. Forbes and Rob Hubbard.

Photo by Jacqui Seely

C.A. KO'S All-Madden 34-6

JEFF LAMBER
Sports Editor

C.A. came into their last regular season game on Tuesday night looking to go undefeated on the season, and they kept their record unblemished as they head into next week's tournament.

The scoring started off on the first drive as C.A.'s Brent Ford caught a 2 yard touchdown pass as his team drew first blood, 7-0. All-Madden looked to bring it right back as Rodney Johnson caught a long pass down the sideline to bring them to the 15 yard line. Brent Ford shut down the drive quickly on the next play as he picked off a tight pass and ran it all the way back for the touchdown to give C.A. a 14-0 lead. Another touchdown on the next drive by C.A.'s Jay Underwood gave them a commanding lead at 21-0. All-Madden battled back into enemy territory but were unable to put it in the end zone, and on C.A.'s next possession the Brent Ford Show picked right up where it left off as he caught another touchdown pass to stretch the lead to 28-0.

All-Madden could have just given Patriots quarterback Lori Blaisdell throws a pass. up with such a huge deficit, but they

played with heart and put together a commanding drive capped by a touchdown pass by Dante Mapp to put them on the board 27-6. The defense looked to keep their hopes alive as they shut down C.A. and put the ball back into their offense's hands. But on the next drive none other than Brent Ford was right there to put the nail in the coffin as he caught his third interception of the game. Jay Underwood ran in a touchdown at the buzzer to seal the victory and the season for his team.



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1:00 am Convocation (Church)
Last day to drop a class & automatically receive a "W"
Wind Symphony Tour (30 - Nov. 2)

Birthdays: Dereica Bodden, Ardel William Gorospe, Kat Ledford, Reyji Uluoglu, Ryan Vega, Jeanette Wilson

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31

5:48 pm Sunset
8:00 pm Outdoor Vespers - Southern Village Lawn
Payday
Withdrawals through Dec. 5 receive "W" or "WF"

Birthdays: Anthony Ray Botticelli, Brian John, Terry Paxton, Danielle Pichette, Eldine Rada, Ashley Sanders, Beth Sanders, Kendy Smith, Darlene Williams

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1

9:00 am Collegedale Church Service - Mike Fulbright
10:00 am The Third (Iles)
10:00 am "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
10:00 am "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)
11:30 am Collegedale Church Service - Mike Fulbright
11:40 am The Third Sabbath School (Upstairs Gospel Chapel in Church)
2:00 pm Street Ministries (Meet in front of Wright Hall)
5:20 pm Evening Church
7:00 pm Diversions: Table Game Night/Star Wars Film (Iles)
10:00 pm Rook Tournament (Residence Hall Lobbies)

Birthdays: Derek Armitage, James Kim, Gilman Lee, Caroline Marceau, Zachary McDonald, Kim Mitchell, James Richards, Henry Kuhlman, Laurie Minner, Nikolaus Tejero

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

10:00 am Lifeguard Challenge (Iles)
12:00 pm Deans/Chairs Seminar
Campus Ministries Leaf Rake
Academic Profile Exam (required of all seniors)

Birthdays: Rosaidys Aranda, Kelly Chambers, Pat Kittrell-McKee, Amber Laing, Jondelle McGhee, Nikki Noel, Nataniel Reyes, Sherry Sexton, Jack Fernyeough, Shirley Spears

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3

3:30 pm Academic Affairs
Winter Registration (3-7)

Birthdays: Judy Clipping, Kekoa Rea, David Reeder, Jackie Wallace-Sledge, Miranda Warner, Maria Sager

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

11:00 am Senior Class Organization Meeting (Brook Hall #333)
11:00 am Study Skills Seminar (Student Center Seminar Room)
6:00 pm Study Skills Seminar (Student Center Seminar Room)
6:00 pm Tornado Siren Test
7:00 pm Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)

Birthdays: TJ Jansen, Stephanie Peden, Kristal Schewtschenko, Amanda Dorn, Rita Wohlers, Ed Wright

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

7:00 pm SA Senate (White Oak Room)

Birthdays: Alex King, Whitney McDonald, Jennifer Seal, Liane DeSouza, David George

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6

11:00 am Convocation - Dale Bidwell (Church)
7:00 pm Career Decision Making Workshop (Student Center Seminar Room)

Birthdays: Jessie Brodis, Greg Creek, Jacq Hutaaruk, Casey Leno, Autumn Saxon, Allen Trent, Astrid Combs

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENIORS: All seniors are required to take the Academic Profile exam. It will be given on two Sundays - November 2 and November 16. Call the Counseling Center at 2782 to sign up for one of

these dates.

CAREER DECISION-MAKING WORKSHOP:

Undecided about a college major and career? Building a career plan is like building an ice cream sundae. Learn how to do both by attending this workshop on Thursday, November 6 at 7 p.m. in the Student Center Seminar Room. Reservations

Required. Call the Counseling Center at 2782 to reserve your seat.

SENIOR PRE-MED STUDENTS:

Dr. Thorn from Loma Linda University School of Medicine will be on campus November 17-19. Call the Counseling Center at 2782 for an appointment.

PRENATAL AND PRE-DENTAL HYGIENE: Ms. Sylvia Davis from Loma Linda School of Dentistry will be on campus November 3-5. Call the Counseling Center at 2782 for an appointment.

NATIONAL TEST DATES: Application Deadline Test Date: Law School Admission Test (LSAT) 11/5/03 12/8/03

Lifeguard Challenge will be held November 2 at 10:00 a.m. All free to SAU students and \$20.00 to all others. Must show proof of current Lifeguard certification. To reserve a place in the class contact Dr. Benge at 238-2855 or e-mail rcbenge@southern.edu.

CFR for Professional Rescuer Challenge will be held November 9 at 11:00 a.m. Free to SAU students and \$20.00 to all others. Must show proof of current certification. To reserve a place in the class contact Dr. Benge at 238-2855 or e-mail rcbenge@southern.edu.

College Students & Young Adults! Don't miss our annual retreat.

November 7-9, 2003, at Camp Kulagua! This year's theme is GoDencounters.

Got Good News? The retreat will feature Pastor Jon Henderson and worship band Fresh Water Minnow. Take advantage of this economical and energizing spiritual get-away! Registration forms and info @ <http://www.GoDencounters.org> or call 407-644-5000, extension 129.

Bring a Friend, Get a Shirt! Bring along with you someone who has never been to the College/Young Adult Retreat, and receive a limited edition commemorative shirt (\$14.00 value)! Register ASAP! The retreat is November 7-9, 2003 at Camp Kulagua. For info go to <http://www.GoDencounters.org> or call 407-644-5000, extension 129.

The Brass, Woodwind and String Ensembles from Shenandoah Valley Academy are going to be presenting a concert at McDonald Road Seventh-day Adventist Church on Friday evening, November 7, at 7:30 PM.

Convocation attendance program is now up and running. You can now check your convocation credits by logging on to the on-line journal, sign in and go to "view convocation attendance." You need to get 14 credits for the semester (unless other arrangements have been made) and there are still over 14 credits available this semester. If you have any questions, please e-mail pdickrich@southern.edu.

All December graduating BA/BS Psychology students: Please contact Dr. Williams-Morris by phone at 238-2782 concerning

graduation requirements.

Diversions: Join in the fun; bring all your friends for a fantastic night of board games, free food and the Star Wars Trilogy. This Saturday night the fun begins in Iles PE Center at 7p until the Star Wars films are over. Then the fun will continue in the Residence Hall lobbies beginning at 10p with a Rook Tournament. Don't miss it!

CLUBS & DEPARTMENTS

Math Club Camp out: Friday night and Sabbath, October 31 and November 1, the Math Club will be having a Camp out. If interested please contact the Math Club at mathclub@southern.edu.

CAMPUS

MINISTRIES

Outdoor vespers - Friday at 8:00 p.m. on the Lawn Behind Iles PE Center (if it rains, then it will be in the gym). Casual attire may be worn.

Sunday Leaf Rake - Look for posters.

WIN \$50!!! Destiny Drama Co. logo competition deadline extended to noon Friday, October 31. For further details contact Maria Sager in the Chaplain's Office, Ext#83122 or marissager@southern.edu. Winner will be announced by Thursday, November 6, 2003.

STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Operation Christmas Child: Pack a shoebox with gifts for kids around the world. Turn in boxes by Nov. 17. For more information stop by the SA Office or e-mail Nathan Henson at nathanh@southern.edu.

Fall Festival, compliments of the Student Association, has been rescheduled to explode on Sunday, November 2. Come on out to the Griffin Farm from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. for great food, fallish stuff to do, and a time to mingle with friends. Featuring "KingFisher" if you haven't heard them, you're missing out. Mark November 2 on your calendar - the SA Fall Fest will be the place to be!

Photo Contest: Take your best photographs at the Fall Fest and enter them the week following for a chance to win CASH! You can submit them in the SA Office or email them. Anyone is eligible. For more information see Thomas Wentworth (thomaswentworth@southern.edu) ext. 2447.

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Squirrels are evil!

QUEEN CHRISTINE WHETMORE
SQUIRRELS: WE TEND TO HATE THEM

I know what most of you are thinking. "But squirrels are cute little fuzzy bundles of love!" This is not true. It is, in fact, a lot like Marx's theories, only instead of the bourgeoisie and proletariat, we have the squirrels and the innocent, overworked, humans. We have indeed been brought under a false consciousness. Many people think that things are just fine the way they are and that any change would be ludicrous. "Get rid of squirrels? That's just silly! This is the way things have always been." Although I may not be a Socialist... I do understand that a revolution is needed, for our safety, our sanity, and for the betterment of future generations.

Squirrels are more harmful than most people realize. Take, for example, the commercial with the "cute" squirrels causing a car accident then giving each other "the secret handshake of doom." This was actual footage, but rather than let this get out as bad publicity, Squirrels Influencing Common Knowledge (SICK) used it to their own advantage to try to incite our own beliefs. In fact, for as long as I've been on this planet, they've been after me. This summer at camp, my cabin would mysteriously lose full or partial power. The lights wouldn't turn on, or the air conditioner would only blow half-heartedly. When the electrician came to check it out, he casually informed us that it was the work of squirrels gnawing through the wiring. Then, in a more serious tone, he explained that if we had been much later in reporting it, there could have been a fire...

By now you're once again thinking just what the squirrels want you to think: "She's an absolute NUT!"... This once again leads us

to the idea of squirrels driving us all crazy. When I attended SAU, I noticed something very, very odd about the wildlife surrounding the girls' dorm. The squirrels were, of course, all suspicious, but one in particular was rather large and was stalking me. I thought it was just a coincidence, at first. He'd be around a lot when I came or went. But then he started spending more and more time outside my window, often following me up and down the sidewalk. He was a tricky little devil, though. He would stop any time I tried to point this out to others who, of course, would think, "She's more than a little squirrel!"... Only they knew the truth. My sanity was indeed being threatened, but it was by the squirrels themselves.

We must protect future generations from the horrors of this squirrel-controlled culture in which we subsist. Thus, I have started my own little campaign with the assistance of my beloved family. Instead of telling dead baby jokes, I now tell dead squirrel jokes. In fact, I have stumbled upon a few true dead squirrel jokes that wouldn't even be funny if they were dead baby jokes. In Georgia and Tennessee it's legal to shoot squirrels on your property or your relatives' property during any season. So, live the revolution! Join the resistance! There's something worth fighting for, but until it comes along, fight the squirrels!

"Besides 'Who cares?' and 'What's with the asterisks?'"

"... Actually, Marx's Communist Manifesto was an allegory of the squirrel vs. human conflict."

"... Suddenly a chimney fire as the explanation of my house burning down in 8th grade isn't so clear cut..."

"... Yeah, and they don't influ-

ence your thinking? NUT. Get it. NUT!!!! They're in control.The SICK trying to make us believe they are not possible of total domination.

QUEEN CHRISTINE WHETMORE
FOR WHATEVER REASON, SHE'S BACK THIS WEEK

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Top Ten Uses for Squirrels

QUEEN CHRISTINE WHETMORE
LAST YEAR'S COLUMNIST

10. Test pilots for firecrackers.
9. Excess bird food consumers.
8. Road kill (nutritious and delicious).
7. Wallaby food.
6. Dog sled teams for tiny children.
5. Fuzzy slippers.
4. PB&J Crust removers.
3. ——— (Censored by SICK).
2. Nut crackers.
1. World Domination

Insightful insights

by Jon Peirce
If you are indeed what you eat.
And you eat nothing but sugar and spice and everything nice.
Are you indeed a little girl?

She's back, oh me, oh my!

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2. Becky and I are not the same person.
3. Squirrels are evil.

The first two are important for obvious reasons, while the third is important in the following article, so read it!

...By all mine, I of course mean mostly my sister. ... My apologies to those of you who still believe. ... Really! It usually comes from the same bed. ... SUKWAIT, dead squirrel jokes, etc. ... Most of the time

It's a Small World...

BECKY WHETMORE
ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR HUMOR EDITOR

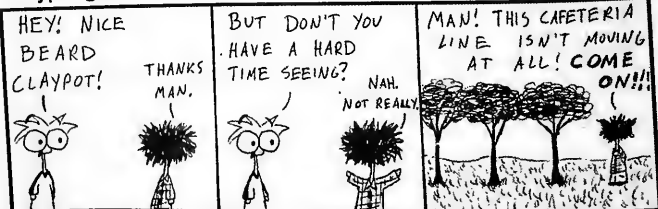
For most of my life, I have heard jokes or comments related to how small Adventist society can seem at times, even though it's spread out all over the world. This has never really applied to me directly. Oh, when I've run into people who also went to the Pathfinder Campore in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, or that I've met a person who used to know somebody who attended the same academy that I did (GCA, if you were wondering). I've even met someone who knows my uncle's family because she randomly housed for them one time (they live in Michigan, so that makes the chance encounter that much more interesting). But none of these experiences were really all that odd, especially in comparison with a much more

recent discovery.

It started when I ran into my roommate's boyfriend while he was waiting outside the dorm for her to change her shoes (or something like that). We did the typical small talk, discussing classes, the weather, and other insignificant details of life. Then he mentioned something odd that had happened recently: something about having seen something about having seen a dad's e-mail address on a calendar list sent out by his uncle. He wondered how they knew each other since the two of us had only known each other about a year ago, here at school. I made a long story short, we had met out that not only did my dad know his uncle, but that they're connected through some interesting connections. Turns out that my grandmother (on my father's side) has a sister who has a son who is married to a woman whose sister is my roommate's boyfriend's sister. Sounds complicated, huh?

I couldn't help but think, "How only at a place like Southern does this happen!" I mean, I happen to be roommates with a girl who has a guy whose aunt is married to my grandmother's nephew. I've heard almost as complicated as one of my favorite songs, "I'm My Grandpa" (which I highly recommend for your listening pleasure). To make matters even more interesting, I live in Georgia, my roommate's boyfriend lives in Fairbanks, Alaska. It really is a small world after all!

Claypot grows a beard...



by Justin Janetzko

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Problems with Datatel registration

DOB CAUFRELL
NEWS EDITOR

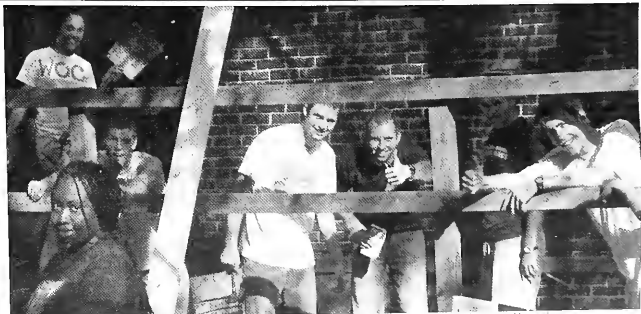
Online registration using Datatel left some students confused and frustrated. Junior English Major Tara Lewis waited in line outside of the records office for approximately 20 minutes, with numerous other students after Datatel would not allow them to register online.

"Datatel was telling me I could not register for any upper division classes, because I supposedly did not have enough credit hours. It was telling me I didn't even have 40 hours completed, but I have over 70," Lewis said.

Senior Programming Analyst for Data Systems, Herdy Moniyung, said the problem was not with Datatel, but rather errors with the data entered by students.

Problems arose when students tried to sign up for classes they were not eligible. Other students had not been financially cleared to register. Moniyung said that the minor glitches and oversights that were causing the problems on Tuesday have been worked out and the system is now operating as it should.

Southern's use of the Datatel system to allow all students to register themselves online. When properly functioning, Datatel will greatly streamline the registration process for the school and students alike.



Stephen Lundquist (far right) with GRUNT Ministries builds a porch with grant money received from American Humanics.

Photo by Marcelle Colburn

American Humanics in action

HEEK MARTELLA
GUEST COLUMNIST

Working with GRUNT Ministries, senior theology major, Stephen Lundquist recently applied for and received the first mini-grant from American Humanics (AH).

In partnership with the Samaritan Center, 10 volunteers from Southern pounded nails, sawed wood and hauled away an old rotting fixture as they rebuilt a porch for a needy client.

"Volunteering is an important part of the college experience, where it is sometimes easy to get self-centered," said Stephen Lundquist. "By volunteering

you take the time to focus on more than just yourself."

Made possible through a larger grant from the WK Kellogg Foundation, AH's mini-grant program has \$10,000 available for service projects lead by student groups. The purpose of the mini-grants is to assist with costs that might be associated with a service activity - from transportation to materials.

"By making funds available to student projects, American Humanics hopes to help Southern in its goal to connect students to their community through service," said Kathy Souchet, program director.

To be eligible for a mini-grant, stu-

dents must first organize a service project through a local nonprofit agency. A one page application describes the project and allows the mini-grant committee to review proposals. After the project is completed, a final report is required that evaluates results. Groups can expect a two-week turnaround time from time of application to funding.

Student involvement is critical to the mini-grant program. In order to ensure additional funding to continue the program, American Humanics needs to show that students from Southern made significant impact in the Chattanooga

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Operation Christmas Child brings smiles to children worldwide

ALEXIS O. BERTIN
STAFF WRITER

Operation Christmas Child has launched its third year at Southern to help bring joy to children across the world. Nathan Henson, junior outdoor education major, is in charge of Operation Christmas Child (OCC) for Southern this year.

OCC has been operating for 10 years from the US, Canada, Europe and Australia and is run by the Samaritan's Purse. The organization serves all over the world to promote the Gospel of Jesus.

Last year, OCC collected 6.2 million boxes and sent them to 95 countries using the world's largest plane, the Antonov 225. The entire College Dale

community contributed 900 of those boxes. The goal for Southern students this year is to donate 600 boxes.

OCC shoe boxes can be put together for as little as 10 dollars. Henson suggests buying items in bulk at stores such as the Dollar Store or Wal-Mart. It may also be fun to work together with friends and split the cost. Shoe boxes can be obtained from shoe stores in the mall.

The deadline is Nov. 20, but there will be a finale for OCC on Nov. 22 at The 3rd. The boxes can be dropped off at the SA office or in the front of Wright Hall.

Henson encourages all SAU students to find creative ways to participate and have fun. "Grab a friend and make a

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GET IT?

If so, e-mail your response to accent@southern.edu

Everything is funny as long as it is happening to somebody else.

-Will Rodgers, The Illiterate Digest, 1924

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community.

"The process is fun -- from finding the need, applying for the money, getting the cash and working on the project," said Lundquist. According to Lundquist it took about two hours to plan the project, thanks to the help of the Samaritan Center, and about 20 minutes to complete the mini-grant application.

To receive a mini-grant application, contact Kathy Souchet in the School of Journalism & Communication.



Pictured above for story on right - A shoebox that has been prepared for Operation Christmas Child

Photo from www.samaritanreport.org

Pre-mature infant dies at Erlanger Medical Center

Don Cantrell
News Editor

The ACC staff was saddened to learn of the death of a prematurely born infant who was airlifted from SAU's campus last Tuesday.

Emergency crews, who responded to the 911 call from Woodmont Road on the afternoon of October 28, stabilized the child who was then transported by helicopter to Erlanger Hospital, where health care providers were

optimistic of the child's survival, said the child's grandfather.

The infant survived four days at Erlanger Hospital until Saturday, when the baby's condition worsened despite the efforts of Erlanger doctors and it died.

The infant's family, the mother especially, expressed gratitude for the concern of Southern and its students in the tragedy they are going through.

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box, have a Operation Christmas Child party, or work with a faculty member."

"Operation Christmas Child is a student's opportunity to show Christ's love and to bring a smile to a child across the world," said Henson.

Students enjoy getting involved. "I think it is really cool to give kids stuff they don't have and see how much you can fit into that box," said Justin Janetzko, senior religious education major.

"The things I wanted as a child are what I put in the box for the children," said Gwyneth Largosa, junior accounting major. When asked if she would participate again this year, she replied, "No doubt about it! It was fun!"

For more information pick up a brochure at the dorms, the care of the SA office, or visit the OCC website at www.samaritanreport.org.

City manager defends actions, cites high morale

DANE TAYLOR
Staff Writer

In a one-on-one interview with the Southern Accent, Collegedale City Manager Carol Mason said recent employee terminations are fully within the legal boundaries of the city manager position. The city charter, adopted in 1968, says "The City Manager may appoint, promote, suspend, transfer and remove any officer or employee of the city."

Last month, Mason fired Police Chief Gary Will, and a few days later, 10-year veteran Lt. Clint Walker.

Mason said she has been legally counseled by city attorney Sam Elliot that she is not required to disclose details about the recent terminations.

A number of citizens have stepped up to the microphone during the last two city commission meetings to voice their opinions about Mason, how the terminations were handled and about a so-called "hit-list" of employees that were to be fired.

"There is no hit-list," said vice-mayor Tim Johnson. "The public needs to trust the com-



Collegedale City Manager Carol Mason says employee morale is high, despite the recent dismissal of two high-ranking police officers.

Photo by Dane Taylor

mission to make the best decisions for the city."

Johnson said that the comments that have been directed toward the commission have not bothered him because of his political position.

City Commissioner Jim Ashlock said he cannot get rattled about every comment brought before the commission. Ashlock said he's heard mostly positive comments from his constituency.

"The sad thing is that there are great things going on in the

city. The veterans park, the airport's recent award, the new phases of the greenway and the new city newsletter, are being overlooked because of this recent issue," Ashlock said.

Ashlock added that when police officers stand before the commission and say that morale is high, it makes him happy.

Mason also feels encouraged by the public show of support. "The morale is higher in 9 years that it ever has been," Mason said.

Southern students get "Frist" at breakfast

ETWAN NEKANA
Staff Writer

A group of senior Social Work students in Professor Stanley Stevenson's Social Work Issues and Politics class recently embarked on a trip to Washington D.C. to get a first-hand look at how policies are formed, lobbied, and passed.

The students visited the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), where they attended presentations on social work research funding and loan forgiveness policies. "I liked the fact that it was organized and they knew what they were going to talk about before we got there," said Kimberly Coon, senior social work major.

On Tuesday the group toured the Capitol and took part in an event known as "Tennessee Tuesdays" in which Tennessee Senators and congressmen from Tennessee meet for breakfast to socialize and discuss various issues in the senate.

After a staff member of Senator Frist conducted the tour of the Capitol, the group

stumbled upon a teen pregnancy presentation being given by Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton.

"The room was packed, and we only caught the last fifteen minutes of her speech, but after she finished, she agreed to take a picture with us," said Melody Jorgenson, senior social work major.

Senator Clinton recently illustrated her support for the Adventist school system in a video taped message for the Public Affairs and Religious Liberty Department of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church. "Your [the Adventist Church's] emphasis on educating and nurturing your fellow man is a model for all people of faith to follow. Your Network of schools and health care facilities put into action the tenets of those beliefs."

While in D.C. the students had time to visit numerous attractions such as ADRA, the Ellen G. White Museum, Arlington Cemetery, the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum, the Vietnam Memorial Wall and the

Holocaust Museum. "We spent four hours [in the Holocaust Museum] and we didn't see it all, we spent an hour and a half just on the first floor," said Jorgenson.

The group also spent leisure time touring the city and immersing themselves in D.C.'s culturally diverse atmosphere. "They have all kinds of restaurants like Ethiopian and Persian [food]," said Jorgenson. "My friend Kimberly and I went to Georgetown everyday to eat. It was very nice, but it was kind of scary at night," she added.

The social work group's trip to D.C. takes place the last week of September and is primarily for seniors enrolled in Stevenson's Social Work Issues and Politics class. Jorgenson lends advice to all those who are considering taking the trip in the future. "Before you go, do research on different laws, bills, or acts that the NASW is working with. Call ahead of time and make appointments with senators or their staff members; it will make your trip more entertaining."

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

Laughter is the best medicine

LESLIE FRANCES
GUEST COLUMNIST

Five minutes left in the exam, and the professor calls out, "Finish up, people." Everyone starts writing conclusions, but one student keeps writing.

The professor calls out, "Time's up. All papers in." Everyone who hasn't finished brings up their papers. The student just keeps writing.

The professor sees him and says, "I said 'Time's up.' Get your paper in now, or I'll have to disqualify your exam." The student keeps writing. The professor gathers all the exams into a big pile, looks at the student writing and says, "That's it, then. Your exam is disqualified."

The student finishes up, checks the paper, and carries it up to the front. The professor shakes his head and says, "Sorry. I told you - I won't accept your exam."

The student looks indignant, stares at the professor and says, "Do you realize who I am?"

The professor looks surprised, then annoyed and replies, "I don't know, and I don't care."

The student responds, "I didn't think so," stuffs his paper into the very middle of the huge stack of exams, and runs out of the room.

HA! HA! Do you feel better now? You should. For centuries people have believed that laughter has mental and physical healing properties. Even King Solomon advocated this belief in Proverbs 17:22 where he said, "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine; but a broken spirit drieth the bones." (KJV)

More recently researchers have attempted to prove that humor can improve respiratory, cardiovascular, psychological, digestive, and immune system function. Other scientists dispute these claims and say that studies have been inconclusive, but it's worth thinking about, isn't it? What else can you do that is cheaper, more beneficial, or more fun?

When laughing, the diaphragm rapidly goes up and down, causing the individual to inhale six times more oxygen than normal. This reaction helps improve circulatory functions. As you are inhaling all the extra oxygen you are also exhaling extra carbon dioxide, which amounts to a type of cardio workout for your body.

People also claim to feel better emotionally after a good laugh. Endorphins, which help people feel happier and are natural pain killers, are released in laughter.

Some individuals also think that immune and digestive system functions are boosted after a good laugh.

Hospitals and other health institutions have taken this into consideration. One hospital has a T.V. station on which *The Little Rascals* and *Larry, Curly, and Moe* movies are shown. Another U.S. hospital has set aside a room called the Laugh Room for patients and their families to visit in. In Australia the "Clown Doctors" appear to be having the most success.

The benefits of laughter are becoming well known outside the hospital setting. Mental health workers are offering laughter therapy to their patients more frequently than ever before. In India many laughing clubs have been formed in which people just stand around and laugh. These clubs have spread around the world and there are now over 100 available in the U.S.

So, with these thoughts in mind take the following jokes to a couple of friends and enjoy a good laugh!

Actual label instructions on consumer goods:

On a bar of Dial soap: Directions: Use like regular soap.

On Sears hairdryer: Do not

use while sleeping.

On packaging for a Rowenta iron: Do not iron clothes on body.

On an American Airlines packet of nuts: Instructions: open packet, eat nuts.

English signs seen in non-English speaking countries:

In a Paris hotel elevator: Please leave your values at the front.

In a Yugoslavian hotel: The flattening of underwear with pleasure is the job of the chambermaid.

In an advertisement by a Hong Kong dentist: Teeth extracted by the latest Methodists.

Detour sign in Kyushu, Japan: Stop: Drive Sideways.

In a Japanese Hotel Room: Please to bathe inside the tub.

From a brochure of a car rental firm in Tokyo: When passenger of foot heave in sight, tootle the horn. Trumpet him melodiously at first, but if he still obstacudes your passage then tootle him with vigor.

And finally, articles from the news:

Police Begin Campaign to Run Down Jaywalker

Gas Cloud Clears Out Taco

Bell Tone Too Close to Ground,

Crash Probe Told

Man Struck by Lightning

Faces Battery Charge

Have a great weekend and

remember to laugh!

What makes a dorm room a home?

RENEE M. WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Brian Young cooks in his dorm room nearly every day, making dishes such as macaroni and cheese and spaghetti in his microwave. Not only is cooking for himself in his room "way cheaper" than eating in the cafeteria, but it also gives him the chance to make what he wants instead of having to eat whatever the cafeteria is serving, he said.

"Honestly, I've only eaten Ramen once this semester," said Young, senior film production major.

Young has a cooking pot, a bread machine, a microwave, a refrigerator and a blender in his dorm room. By bringing those appliances to the dorm and cooking for himself, he has made his dorm room a little more like home.

Most dorm students will spend about four years living in one dorm room or another. The dorms have their disadvantages, such as minimal floor space, freshman theology major Matthew Lucio said. But with a creative approach, many students are able to make their dorms feel like a taste of home.

To Carla Truitt, one of the most important things that makes her room feel like home is personalizing it with pictures.

Another thing that makes Truitt comfortable in her room is the fact that she and roommate Jenni Sheffield are close friends.

"We're both really comfortable around each other because we've known each other for so long," said Truitt, freshman social work major.

Another key to feeling at home in the dorm is "having all the stuff that I had in my room at home," said Sheffield, freshman math major.

Having a sibling close by can also help make living in the dorm more like living at home. Sheffield's sister's room is two doors down from hers, so the sisters get to see each other often.

Sheffield and Truitt are both from the Collegedale area, so they could have chosen to live at home. But, Truitt said, she wanted to live in the dorm "for the experience and to just be a little independent."

Bocce: Old-world sport made new

NOAH B. KNEIGHT
ACCOMMODATION

When you think of bocce (pronounced .BAH-chie), you probably think of old, retired Mafiosi passing their afternoons.

Bocce is a game that falls into a category somewhere between bowling and billiards.

I was in Chattanooga's Art District early this school year when I was introduced to bocce. Just above the glass-blowing gallery overlooking the Veterans Memorial bridge is the Chattanooga Bocce Club bocce court. Under a canopy of trees, Frank Knight sat and invited my friend Mike and I to try the game.

Frank is the president of the Chattanooga Bocce club and devotes his Sunday afternoons to teaching the public how to play bocce. He formed the club and organizes tournaments for fun as well as to generate interest in the game in the Chattanooga area.

To try this old world sport, visit one of these bocce courts some Sunday afternoon. If you have questions about joining the club you can contact Frank Knight at (423) 886-4179.

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Follow me: walking with God day by day

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CUSTY COMPTONER

"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are" (1 John 3:1).

The love of God, how rich and pure, how measureless and strong. God lavishes His love on us and considers us His children. What have I done to deserve this love? Nothing. In fact the Bible says in Romans 5:8, "God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for

us." God created each one of us. Psalm 139:13, 14 says, "For You created my inmost being; You created me together in my mother's womb. I praise You because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Your works are wonderful, I know that full well." God knew us before we were born, but how do we continue the relationship? By having our devotions.

Devotions are the most important part of a Christians walk with God. By reading your Bible and praying you commune with God. During this time He

can mold you just like the potter molds the clay. He will take your life and build you into someone you would have never thought possible. But most importantly, He cleanses us of sin. Isaiah 1:18 says "Come now, let us reason together," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be like wool." When you spend time reading your Bible and praying, the Lord leads you into green the still waters (Psalm 23:2). After Saul had just been anointed king, 1 Samuel 10:9 says, "When (Saul) turned to leave Samuel, God changed his heart." God changed his heart to be in tune with the will of God.

But how did Saul's life end? Was he renewing his strength in the pastures of the Lord? The big issue in the change of the Kingship from Saul to David was one of the condition of the heart. 1 Samuel 13:14 says, "The Lord has sought out a man after His own heart, and the Lord has commanded him to be prince over His people." What was David's devotional life like? Take a look at the Psalms and you can see what kind of walk God was leading him on.

What is your devotional life like? Do you seek the Lord? John 4:23 says, "A time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks." Isaiah 56:6

says, "Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near." God has given us this time, the "calm before the storm" to seek Him. Even now He is stretching out His hand to save us.

As you take this walk, the bond between you and Jesus will grow so strong that the powers of hell will tremble. But most importantly, a time will come on your walk when Jesus will call your attention to what is ahead. You will see the gates of heaven opened wide and your heavenly Father will come running towards you with his arms wide open and will embrace you with a love that lasts for eternity. Can you hear Him? He is calling now, "Follow Me."

Clearly seeing God

SEAN REED
RELIGION EDITOR

A small boy some years ago was eager with anticipation when the day finally arrived—the day he would go to his friends birthday party. I do not remember his name, but John is a fine name and that is what I will call him. Unfortunately for John, the weather decided against a nice sunny day and instead sent a blizzard howling down on the small city in which he lived. His father was skeptical about letting him go out in the stormy weather. John begged and pleaded and finally the father relented. After wrapping a scarf tightly around his neck and bundling up in his heaviest coat, small John trudged into the howling wind. The few blocks to his friend's house seemed longer then before. Half an hour later he arrived at his destination. As he was knocking on the door, he turned to look behind him and saw a shadowy figure disappear into the snowy expanse. John's father had followed him the entire way to ensure that he arrived safely. John caught a glimpse of his father that day which he would never forget. He caught a glimpse of a father that cares.

Many people want to catch a glimpse of God. In the storms of their lives, they want to look behind them and catch a glimpse of a heavenly Father who cares. A mere glimpse is all that Zachaeus dared hope for. As chief of the tax collectors in Jericho, that is usually all he ever got to see of the religious teachers as they made their way to the synagogue, the house of

worship from which he was barred. Being barred from the synagogue had seemed to Zachaeus a small price to pay in order to pursue a life of wealth and prosperity as a tax collector. Now, however, he was acutely aware of his spiritual need.

The Bible does not tell us why Zachaeus was so intent on seeing Jesus. He most definitely had heard about the Galilean teacher and the miracles Jesus performed. Zachaeus may have made the short jaunt to the Jordan River to hear John the Baptist preach and perhaps even saw Jesus' baptism. We do not know for sure. The Bible does tell us, though, in Luke 19:3 that Zachaeus wanted to see Jesus. He wanted to see Jesus so much that he was willing to cast his dignity aside and scramble up a sycamore tree in order to catch a glimpse of the Savior.

Zachaeus had it easy though—he merely had to climb up a tree in order to see Jesus. How can we see God? The prolific Bible writer Paul writes in II Corinthians 5:7 that "we walk by faith, not by sight." So we see God through faith, not by sight. God in His infinite goodness and wisdom has impeded within each of us a quantity of faith (Romans 12:3). Regardless of origin and upbringing, regardless of successes and failures, regardless of good deeds and sins, each person has been given enough faith to see God.

We are each given the means and opportunity to catch a glimpse of God. The choice we have is whether we will allow that glimpse to become a gaze and finally a way of life.

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Church	Time	Speaker	Titles
Chattanooga First Church	9:45 and 11:00	---	---
Collegedale Church	9:00 and 11:30	---	---
Collegedale Korean Church	11:00	---	---
Collegedale Spanish Church	9:00 - 11:45	Gordon Bietz	---
Hamilton Community Church	11:30	---	---
McDonald Road Church	8:50 and 11:25	John McGraw	Veteran's Day Service
The Third	10:00 AM	---	---

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Alternative intramural sports at Southern

MARVIN NG
OPINION COLUMNIST

If you're like me, you're probably thinking something along these lines, "Thank goodness it's Friday! I can't believe they make us go to class on Friday. Why is my teacher so

boring? I knew I should've slept in! Hmm...What should I do this weekend? I need to drop by Wal-Mart to get some soap and some shampoo. Why does that girl keep looking this way? I think she likes me. It must be the haircut."

I think a lot. I think that I think way too much. Working in the box factory gives me plenty of time to think. What happened to the simplicity of childhood mind I ask myself? I sometimes wish that I could go back in time and be a kid once again...

My parents have been missionaries in the Philippines for the past decade or so. When I was a child, we were too poor to afford any toys. Instead, I would run around and play with the other little boys and girls. I still vividly remember a game of ours that we used to play called "Stone Stone." I'm not sure if any of you have played this game, but it is fairly easy. All you need is a stone. Each person takes turns throwing their stones. The point of the game is to hit the other person's stone. Once you do that, you're the winner. It is a fairly easy concept to grasp. Don't think too hard. Of course, if you couldn't find a stone, you could very well use a rock or a pebble, but then you would have to call it "Rock Rock" or "Pebble Pebble." You get the point.

Another favorite game of ours was called "The slipper

game." All you needed were the slippers from under your feet and a tin can. Kids would try to hit the tin can and run away. It was pretty funny to watch as you could imagine. Another game called "Shatong" required a long stick and a shorter stick. It is kind of like the native version of what we know as baseball. You use the long stick to hit the short stick. The further you hit the short-long stick, the better it is for you. Why am I telling you all this? Well, honestly, I think that it is time for Southern to broaden their range if sports played in the Intramurals. Anyone who owns a stone can play "Stone Stone." The requirements and skills are minimal. This week, I dare you to do something fun as if you were a child again. Don't think too hard about it. Save it for that Friday morning class.

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Ready, Set... The Patriots Hike. Professor Lisa Diller of the History department defends for the Red Hots.
Photo by Marcella Corbman

Wild Huskers tame Wolverines 31-0

JEFF LAMBERT
Staff Writer

In their final meeting of the regular season the Huskers defeated the Wolverines 31-0, dropping the Wolverines to 3-5.

The Huskers wasted no time in putting their goal into motion, as Kenny Smith completed a pass down the middle of the field to his receiver's lateral run for the touchdown.

The Wolverines responded as their offense drove the ball downfield, only to have an errant pass picked off by the Husker's Royce Brown.

On the next play Brown finished what he started as he caught a deep pass down the sideline for the touchdown, giving his team a 13-0 lead.

The Wolverines' offense moved the ball into enemy territory, but two key defensive plays by Huskers' Jimmy Tan and Thomas Neacsu forced a turnover on downs.

The defensive stop paid off as Kenny Smith caught his second touchdown pass of the game to give his team a 19-0 advantage.

On another unsuccessful drive by the Wolverines, the

Huskers added a touchdown with a great catch by Aaron Wilson to stretch their lead to 25-0.

The Wolverines' offense made one last push to move the ball up the field, but Royce Brown continued his great defensive plays as he intercepted a pass in the end zone.

The Huskers added another touchdown at the end of the game as they finished the season undefeated, sending a strong message that they are the team to beat in this week's tournament.

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Kobe Bryant case

JOELLIE JAMES
ASSISTANT EDITOR

A Colorado judge will decide next week whether NEA sports star Kobe Bryant should be tried on a sexual assault charge after Bryant's lawyers raised questions about the alleged victim's sexual history in a preliminary hearing Wednesday.

The two-day preliminary hearing was interrupted a week after Bryant's lawyer Pamela Mackey, suggested alleged victim's injuries were consistent with having sex with three men in three days.

Doug Winters, an Eagle County Sheriff's detective, testified the underwear of the woman contained DNA matching that came from someone other than Bryant.

The defense also introduced evidence about a letter from co-worker of the alleged victim who in a written statement said that after the alleged attack, "did not look or seem any different."

If convicted of one count of sexual assault, Bryant could face a maximum sentence of 18 months in prison and a fine of \$750,000. The case is expected to go to trial in January.

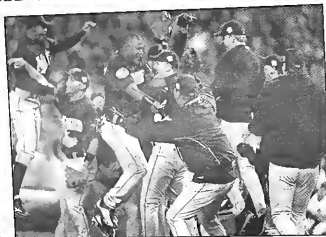
Marlins win and Yankees lose

DAVE GRADY
Staff Writer

On Saturday, October 25, 2003, the Florida Marlins did what everyone said was impossible. They beat the New York Yankees and became the first visiting team to celebrate a championship at Yankee Stadium.

If you did not see the game, you missed a young pitcher turn into a star on the highest stage imaginable. Josh Beckett, who had two days of rest, pitched a full game and shut out the Yankees in front of their home crowd. He became the 10th pitcher in the last 60 years to throw a complete-game shutout that won his team the World Series; he is the fourth youngest pitcher who has achieved this.

Beckett led the Marlins, who nobody picked to make the post season, to win a series and to bring a MLB championship to the Sunshine State. The Yankees on the other hand have not won the championship in three years, and if



The Marlins celebrate their world series win.

<http://floridamarlins.mlb.com/MLBApplet/index.do>

you happen to be one of those rare, die-hard fans this may bother you quite a bit. It may have been better if the Yankees had won, in terms of the administrative shake-up they are going to experience and the effects it will have on the free agent market and the rest of the league.

For some reason (possibly their deep pockets) the Yankees are able to bring in the best players from the free agent

market nearly every year. There will definitely be changes for the Yankees roster, Roger "past his prime" Clemens says he's retiring. David Wells certainly has played his last game as a Yankee and the big game choker...uh, pitcher Andy Pettitte is a free agent. For a team that has won so much, you have to expect them to know exactly what it takes to get back to this same position next year.



the campus chatter

Week of: November 6-12

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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6

11:00 am Convocation – Dale Bidwell (Church)
7:00 pm Career Decision-Making Workshop (Student Center Seminar Room)
7:00 pm 360 Degrees (Upstairs Seminar room of Church)
Birthday: Jessie Brodis, Greg Creek, Jacq Hulaak, Casey Lena, Autumn Saxon, Allen Trent, Ashli Canbear

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7

5:41 pm Sunset
7:30 pm Shenandoah Brass, Woodwind and String Concert (McDonald Road Seventh-day Adventist Church)
8:00 pm Vespers – World Missions – Byard Parks (Church)
College/Young Adult Retreat 7-9 (Camp Kulaqua)
Birthday: Angela Ford, Joe Haynes, Heather Janetzko, Marcy Moore, John Williams

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8

6:00 am Soup Kitchen (Campus Ministries)
9:00 am Collegedale Church Service – Ed Wright
10:00 am The Third – Mike Fulbright (Iles)
10:00 am "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
10:00 am "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)
11:30 am Collegedale Church Service – Ed Wright
11:40 am The Third Sabbath School (Upstairs Gospel Chapel in Church)
12:30 am Advent Home (Campus Ministries)
4:00 pm Room in the Inn (Campus Ministries)
2:50 pm Mission Expo (Student Center)
5:30 pm Evensong (Church)
9-11:00 pm Men's Club Bowling Night This event will be free but SAU ID's will be required at front door. (Holiday Bowl, Chattanooga by Krispy Kreme)
Birthday: Savannah Cox, Yohannes DaSilva, Steve Henderscheidt, Korine Juhl, Andrew LaPierre, Kerra Maca, Kenneth McClellan, Angela Palmer, Nathan Perkins, Brenda Pewitt, Julie Stoltz

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

11 am CPR for the Professional Rescuer Challenge (Iles)
7:30 pm Symphony Orchestra Concert – Church (Convocation Credit)
Employee Apple Festival, Bietz Barn-N-Yard
SA Spirit Week (10-14)
Birthday: Eva Baciu, Adam Brown, Royce Brown, Ashleigh Cohen, Jan Ruff, Tim Sarmin, Tam Wagner, Barbara Andersen

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10

3:30 pm University Senate
Winter Registration (10-14)
GRE Subject Exam only (Student Center)
Spirit Week (10-14)
Birthday: Tim Berry, Katie Breyer, Angela Coney, Devan Huey, Ricky Landry, Linda Royer, Carolyn Smith

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

12-1:00 pm Dean's Luncheon (Presidential Banquet Room)
11:00 am School of Journalism Assembly – Dr. Gallagher (Lynnwood Hall) (Convocation Credit)
7:00 pm Joint Worship – SA Senate (Thatcher)
10:00 pm Joint Worship – SA Senate (Thatcher)
Veteran's Day
Birthday: Heidi Axford, Andre Beaulieu, Andrew Fisher, Cheryl Fuller, Meghan Harebottle, Jackson Henley, David Kuch, Dan Lange, Jani McPhetridge, Mia Pandt, Tammy Parks, Autumn Wurste, Jim Parks

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Dona Awareness Day (Chaplain's office)
Birthday: Miguel Alfonso, Katie Barnett, Amy Cash, Nancy Castilla, Ed Cook, Simone DaSilva, Keturah Gendley, Lewis Miller, Ashley Saint-Villiers, Jan Cochrane

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13

11:00 am Convocation – Bruce Cameron (Iles)
Symphony Orchestra Tour (13-16)

Did you know the Seventh-day Adventist Church has an active presence at the United Nations? And did you know that SAU students have been a big part of that for two years? You can learn the details from Dr. Jonathan Gallagher, General Conference Liaison to the United Nations, who will make a return visit to SAU campus this upcoming Tuesday, Nov. 11. He will speak for a School of Journalism assembly in Lynn Wood Hall at 11:00 a.m. (Convocation credit given). Gallagher is an entertaining speaker who is well versed in current world affairs. You may discover a future place for yourself with our church's UN program. Afterwards join Gallagher for lunch in room two of the Presidential banquet room.

CAREER DECISION-MAKING WORKSHOP: Undecided about a college major and career? Building a career plan is like building an ice cream sundae. Learn how to do both by attending this workshop on Thursday, November 6 at 7 p.m. in the Student Center Seminar Room. Reservations required. Call the Counseling Center at 2782 to reserve your seat.

SENIOR PRE-NEED STUDENTS: Dr. Thorn from Loma Linda University School of Medicine will be on campus November 17-19. Call the Counseling Center at 2782 for an appointment.

CPR for Professional Rescuer Challenge will be held November 9 at 11:00 a.m. Free to SAU students and \$20.00 to all others. Must show proof of current certification. To reserve a place in the class, contact Dr. Berge at 238-2855 or e-mail rcbenge@southern.edu.

College Students & Young Adults: Don't miss our annual retreat, November 7-9, 2003, at Camp Kulaqua! This year's theme is GODencounters: Get Good News! The retreat will feature Pastor Jan Henderson and worship band Fresh Water Minnow. Take advantage of this economical and energizing spiritual get-away! Registration forms and info @ <http://www.GODencounters.org> or call 407-644-5000, extension 129.

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The Brass, Woodwind and String Ensemble from Shenandoah Valley Academy are going to be presenting a concert at McDonald Road Seventh-day Adventist Church on Friday evening, November 7, at 7:30 PM.

Convocation attendance program is now up and running. You can now check your convocation credits by logging on to the on-line Joker, sign in and go to "view convocation attendance". You need to get 14 credits for the semester (unless other arrangements have been made) and there are still over 14 credits available this semester. If you have any questions, please e-mail pdelich@southern.edu.

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CAMPUS MINISTRIES

360 degrees – "A revolutionary any way to worship" is holding its second meeting this Thursday, November 6, at 7:00 p.m. upstairs in the seminar room at the Collegedale church. Come and enjoy Christian fellowship, and bring your friends. All are Invited!

STUDENT

ASSOCIATION

Joint Worship: Tuesday, November 11, Senators will be doing line 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. worship services in Thatcher Chapel. So come meet your Senators.

Pancake Feed: 7:30 a.m. on Friday, November 14, in front of the Student Center.

Spirit Week: November 10-14
Monday – Patriotic Day
Tuesday – International Day

Wednesday – Christmas Day
Thursday – Southern J.
College Day (Dress like students did back in the 1920's and 1930's)

Friday – Farm Day (Come join us outside the Student Center in the morning to enjoy some warm pancakes before class).

The three top best dressed students will be awarded prizes every evening in the dining hall at 5:30 p.m. (due to sundown on Friday, prizes will be given at 5:00 p.m.).

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PARKING**Being Cultural is Cool!**

HEIDI TOMPKINS
GUEST COLUMNIST

I was a little disappointed the other week to see Robert Jacobson pick on Asians so much. I thought this was an equal-opportunity country. What about affirmative action? Sure, there might be more Asians than other people on any other continent, and we all like Chinese, but COME ON! Even my Scottish-heritage roommate last year tried to convince herself she was Asian. Sigh. I have to pick on myself, because I'm confused too. I'm an English, Scottish, Irish, French, German Swede. And I'm part Chinese too! Well, that's only if you believe in the Bering Strait theory and that the Cherokees descended from Asians. Even then I'm confused. But then I stop to think of the

smorgasbord of personalities all these cultures bring me. I mean, think about it: the Brits and the French were fighting each other for half their histories! (Maybe that explains the internal conflicts.)

But aside from that, I love it that I've been learning Spanish, since Spain is one of the few countries in Western Europe I'm NOT from (that I know of). I add comments to Spanish conversations on campus, and people look at me like, "You're so white! How do you know Spanish?" I get a kick out of it.

Next language to learn: Sindarin. Tolkien's High Elvish. I feel that's more my heritage. It's great to be able to say "Edni!" instead of "Open!" and "Hado!" instead of "Hurl!" Maybe I could get away with

pointy ears. (Actually, my Asian-wanna-be former roommate and I did paste liquid latex on our cars and dress up like Arwen and Galadriel for Halloween last year.) Oh yeah, and driving home to Florida is always fun for the people who get to split the driving with me. First I feel like listening to "The Sound of Music" soundtrack, then "Celtic Christmas III," then Christian reggae, then mariachi, then Tejaikov's "Sleeping Beauty," then Christian rock, then Irish jig music complete with rockin' bagpipes! Ten hours of fun, fun, fun! Singing along with VeggieTales' Silly Song remix completes the cultural experience for those of us who just feel like vegging every once in a while. Yes, cultures are great, fun, especially in yogurt!

Where have Chip & Dale Gone?

SARAH H. VANDERKAM
GUEST COLUMNIST

Here's a story that my friend told me that I find hilarious. It's slightly sick and twisted, but most things that people find funny are sick and twisted. So this is a true story about my friend. In Utah, there's this awesome cliff called Angels' Landing and it overlooks Zion National Park, that stands about 1,000 feet high.

One day James* and a few friends went to the cliff for a day of hanging out. He was sitting on the bluff eating lunch when some chipmunks came scampering down to see if they could get some food from the tourists. One of the chipmunks went up to James, looking for some goodies.

Well, James had been eating some grapes while pondering the meaning of life and how he could take over the world from his not-too-slubby state of Utah. So when the chipmunk approached him for the food, James just carelessly tossed down the grape. He must not have realized that he was on a slight incline, so the grape bounced and began to roll towards the edge of the cliff.

The chipmunk happily ran after the grape. James, seeing where this was heading, quickly put down more grapes and pleaded, "Come, little chipmunk. Here are some better grapes for you," to distract the chipmunk from certain death. But the chipmunk kept going determinedly, and when the grape went off the edge, so

did the chipmunk, who, needless to say, couldn't fly.

James was quite shocked and had a brief moment of silence for that poor chipmunk. He is quite remorseful to this very day. But I kinda wonder if maybe that chipmunk caught the grape in his mouth on the way down, did some great air-acrobatics and grabbed onto a random hanging branch before reaching any harm. Chip and Dale did it all the time! So, moral of the story: Don't chase food off a cliff! For the low, low price of just \$3.99, you can have a full vegan meal at your local SAU cafe! Act now and they'll throw in a miniature tub of butter for 8 cents!

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SOME
STANDARDS!

by Justin Janetzko

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Face painting was a popular attraction at this year's Fall Festival. The corn maze, which was new this year, and "El Toro," the mechanical bull were two other activities that people enjoyed.

Photo by Jacquie Sealey

New scholarship model could lure freshmen

SETH BLANCHARD
STAFF WRITER

Southern continues to rank high in affordability, but lagging scholarship dollars could be the cause for waning freshmen enrollment.

"The freshman class has been declining over the past three years, said Vinita Sauder, vice president for marketing and enrollment services.

According to enrollment documents, in 1999, Southern attracted students by kicking back 29 percent of tuition revenue in the form of scholarships and discounts.

Unusually high freshmen enrollment the next year forced unanticipated infrastructure and staffing upgrades that ultimately lost Southern money, university officials say.

Subsequent years failed to sustain the unprecedented freshmen growth of 2000 that saw an unanticipated 150 additional freshmen enroll.

Consequently, the university's Budget Review Committee has consistently rationed scholarships in attempts to recoup loss.

According to a "tuition discount" graph from enrollment services, Southern currently allocates 19 percent of its tuition revenue for scholarships, the lowest percentage in 10 years.

Marc Grundy, director of student finance and enrollment services, is one of many administrators trying to reverse this trend. "One has to assume that if you offer less, less students will enroll," Grundy said.

Despite record enrollment among

transfer students, slipping freshmen enrollment has university officials concerned.

Grundy and Sauder are pushing for competitive increases in scholarship dollars that will match increasing tuition costs.

Their proposed scholarship model would increase the current tuition revenue percentage to 22 percent, a \$600,000 increase for the 2004 - 2005 school year.

"We'd love to increase it much more than that," said Grundy, but while Southern is trying to make ends meet, "it seemed more appropriate to ask for an increase of \$600,000."

The Budget Review Committee is expected to decide soon on how much scholarship money will be available.

First Tennessee opens new Collegedale branch

ANGELA CARVER
STAFF WRITER

Collegedale's new First Tennessee Bank building opened its doors to the public Oct. 27. The new structure is next door to the bank's old location. First Tennessee wanted a new building because "business had increased and we had outgrown the building we were in," said bank teller Lori McGee, an 11-year employee.

Doric style columns frame the entryway. The carpeted foyer opens into a sitting area that has a flat screen T.V. surrounded by plants, a chair and two couches. To the right are friendly faces ready to help. If you don't have time to go in, the new bank has four lanes for drive-thru banking and a drive-thru ATM.

One of the many benefits of the new building is that it offers a conference room for the community that seats eight. The building offers more space and privacy at the same time.

In the old building space was so cramped that sometimes customers would have to meet with financial planners in the kitchen, said Louise Massey, the financial center manager. Financial planners, investment officers, and mortgage originators would have to

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The new First Tennessee Bank on Apison Pike.

Photo by Angela Carver

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Raz Calarama was the only student to correctly answer last week's riddle. Raz, come to the Accent office to collect your winnings.

"People demand freedom of speech to make up for the freedom of thought which they avoid."
- Soren Aabye Kierkegaard (1813-1855)

Desmond Doss featured in new documentary

LESLIE FOSTER
Staff Writer

Southern students and Collegedale residents will have the opportunity to be the first Adventist audience to screen a new documentary about Desmond Doss.

The "Conscientious Objector" will be screened at the Collegedale SDA Church on Nov. 15, at 3:00 p.m. The documentary relates the account of Doss' heroism and his faith.

"There was a need to tell the story," said Terry Benedict, the documentary's director and producer.

Doss, a World War II veteran, refused to carry weapons into battle against the Japanese, choosing instead to serve his fellow soldiers as a medic. Despite the abuse of fellow soldiers, he stayed true to his convictions.

In May 1945, Doss single-handedly rescued 75 men trapped on the Munda escarpment in southern Okinawa. He continued to demonstrate his quiet faith and trust in God in the following weeks.

Doss was awarded the Medal of Honor by Harry S. Truman for his actions.

Hollywood has wanted to tell his story for fifty years, but Doss, who lives on Lookout Mountain, has been unwilling for this to happen.

"He doesn't want to be glorified, he was afraid that the essence of his story would be compromised," said Benedict.

Benedict's fascination with Doss' story dates back to his



Desmond Doss receives his medal of honor from President Harry Truman.

File Photo

childhood when he read "The Unlikeliest" Hero, Doss' biography. Benedict dreamed of retelling the story through a visual medium. He felt that it was urgent to begin work on the documentary several years ago because he wanted Doss and his comrades to be able to tell the story in their own words before they died. Benedict feared that if these men were not provided with this opportunity, their stories would eventually become unreliable legends.

Doss granted Benedict permission to make the film because Benedict is an Adventist who has worked within the entertainment industry and because Benedict

promised Doss that the integrity of the story would be protected.

"The primary mission of the documentary is to reach a secular audience in a way that will plant seeds...to show that there is value in having faith," Benedict said. He wanted to show that a life of faith is a very peaceful way to live. "[Doss] is so peaceful, compassionate...he is so elementally simple in his faith," he said.

Several months ago, a group of Adventists retiree's at Cobutta Springs screened the film and had wanted it shown at the Collegedale church, said Pastor Ed Wright, executive pastor of the Collegedale SDA church. "Desmond Doss is a local...people here know him and would be interested in the film," he said.

The film has been screened before secular audiences, but the Nov. 15 screening will be the first time an Adventist audience views it. The film that will be shown is not the final cut of the documentary. Changes will be made depending on audience comments and criticism. Benedict, who has a circle of friends and family in Collegedale and visits several times a year, will attend the screening; the audience will have a chance to give their feedback directly to him.

"I'm going [to the screening], I'm really excited," said Alicia Ellis, senior Spanish major. She thought that the event should have been publicized more.

Benedict hopes that those who view the film will find it inspiring as well as an encouragement for Adventists, that they have a tremendous hero and role model in Desmond Doss.

AUC Stays Alive

DON CANTRELL
News Editor

Atlantic Union College received probationary accreditation status last week, after facing the probable end of the 121-year-old institution. The New England Association of Schools and Colleges, in March of this year, recommended ending the school's accreditation. However, AUC appealed the decision, upon recent improvements to its academics and administration. Last week it received the clomency it needed to stay in operation.

NEASC's implementation of probationary status will stay in place pending a full school-wide review in November of 2004, which might restore AUC's full accreditation. NEASC listed several areas of concern that the school must address and resolve before the next review. AUC's President, George P. Babcock said, "This process will require a lot of work, but it will be worth it,

because we will be a better college." Babcock feels God has intervened to keep AUC's doors open and thanked all those who had offered prayer in the college's behalf. "We have inherited a rich legacy that I am excited to continue. While the next year we will work on the areas of concern cited by the Commission so that AUC will be assured full accreditation," said Babcock.

Some of AUC's problem areas, according to the Commission, include college finance, board of trustees responsibilities and strategic planning for the future of the college. Although there is much work to be done in order to regain full accreditation, college officials remain optimistic. Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Donald G. King said, "even though next year will be critical, I believe it's doable. At this point, AUC is in the very best possible position to grow and move forward in a strong way."

Building a "Thanksgiving House"

JANELL PETIBONE
Staff Writer

Local Seventh-day Adventist churches and Southern Adventist University are racing to complete a Habitat for Humanity home by Thanksgiving Day.

"We plan to dedicate the house on Thanksgiving morning," said Wolf Jedamski, Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church administrator. "It won't be ready for occupancy, but it will be close."

Many entities are involved in this Thanksgiving project, but the main sources of workers are the Collegedale Church, Hamilton Community Church, McDonald Road Church, and Southern, Jedamski says. Other organizations donate financially or provide daily lunches for the workers.

The project began when Habitat for Humanity approached the Adventist community, says Jedamski. A church in downtown Chattanooga had planned to build the "Thanksgiving house," but they backed out. The team started building on Oct. 9, 2003.

The house is located in Shepherd Park, near the Chattanooga Metropolitan Airport. There are a number of completed Habitat homes in that neighborhood, as well as several under construction.

Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit organization that builds houses for low-income working families. The families help build and pay for the house-

es themselves. Donated materials and labor reduce the cost of the house. The Habitat mission is to help people, not a hand out according to the Habitat belief sheet.

Matthew White, freshman religious education major, has volunteered at the house.

"Thanksgiving house" twice. "I needed community service hours for my developmental psychology class," he said. "I wanted to do something constructive and useful."

He worked on framing and siding during his visits.

"I think the project is awesome," he commented. "It's more fun than my job landscaping—which I do enjoy doing, though I'm not getting paid."

White plans to go back and help more with the house before it's finished.

"If students could contribute service hours," he said, "this is an awesome way—helping people build houses."

In all, 30 to go Southern students have volunteered, says Sara Colon, freshman graphic design major and student leader of the Habitat project. She says the volunteers help a construction crew that works on the house.

"It's very exciting getting college students involved," Colon said. "They give up a lot of time and to people who are impressed that they're doing it and that they're disappointed if they can't go."

Anyone interested in volunteering can contact Sara Colon at 238-2934.

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Students produce TV news show

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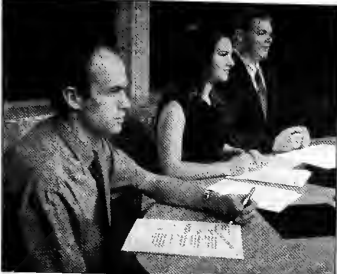
The news anchors look expectantly at the video camera waiting for their cue. A voice comes through the headsets, "5...4...3...2...1 and cue in."

Then from the set, "Hi, welcome to Newsline, a weekly news broadcast brought to you by the School of Journalism and Communication..."

This is a typical Thursday afternoon for the students in TV Studio Production and TV News Reporting and Performance.

The two classes, taught by Stephen Ruf, associate professor for the School of Journalism and Communications, meet separately during the week then join together Thursday afternoon to produce Newsline.

Newsline is a weekly student-produced news broadcast recorded in the television studio in Brock Hall. Ruf started the classes in 1997 and they are taught every other year in the fall.



Students of the TV News Reporting and Performance class take live during a taping of Newsline. Eric Henton, from left, Julie Clarke, and Brian Henning prepare for their news broadcast.

Photo by Jacqui Sealey

The students cover news that relates to Southern.

The finished newscast can be seen Friday mornings in Brock Hall and at the cafeteria at noon.

In addition, the newscasts are being archived this year, Ruf said, with the intention of putting them on the School of Journalism and Communications' Web site.

Putting together a broadcast is very time consuming and labor intensive.

Julie Clarke, junior broadcast journalism major, says that future students wanting to take the class should "be willing to learn and put a lot of energy and effort into it because it

takes a lot of your time."

Newsline gives students the opportunity for hands on experience and most importantly, says Ruf, it gives students a resume tape to show to future employers, which is a must for broadcast journalism majors.

Eric Henton, junior mass communications media productions major, says the class is "a good learning experience. It's something useful to know."

The students are learning a lot as the semester progresses.

"Each week the show gets stronger and stronger," Ruf said. Clarke, also the producer of Newsline said, "This is one of the core classes I've enjoyed the most."

Graduate students may have to teach

DON CANTRELL
NEWS EDITOR

A measure brought before the faculty Senate earlier this week would implement graduate students as teachers in lower division classes. The measure stirred up controversy among the Senate members, who did not make a final decision on the proposal.

Proponents of the measure say the benefits would include additional teachers for understaffed departments, while at the same time allowing graduate students to fulfill their training requirements.

English professor and Senate member Debbie Higgins supports the measure and defended it in the

Senate meeting as well as in an interview with the Accent. "In my opinion, having obtained University status and graduate students, those students should be given the opportunity to further their studies in classrooms; under ongoing training and supervision from professors," said Higgins.

Those who oppose the proposition say that the quality of tuition-paying students instruction should not be sacrificed in order to benefit a small number of graduate students.

The dissenting Senate neither rejected, nor accepted the measure; rather it was sent back to the Graduate Council for revision and further discussion.

SIFE helps students to better job skills

MICHAEL YOUNG
STAFF WRITER

Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) have been busy already this year trying to get projects started. SIFE helps students apply the skills that they learn in school.

SIFE is an international organization that is held in colleges all over the world.

College basketball is the only organization that has more participants than SIFE.

SIFE gives students in different majors the ability to learn how to work together under a work atmosphere.

"One of the things I love to talk about SIFE that I feel is not talked about enough is the fact that it brings the majors together. So many times we have our own departmental meetings and while this is good, SIFE gives opportunity for people to learn how to work with other people, with different majors, towards a common goal. This one of the many ways SIFE gives real world experience," said Micah Armantrout, junior computer information systems major.

Students in SIFE have the ability to practice interview skills, increasing their ability to get jobs.

The SAU chapter of SIFE has started a project at Spalding elementary where in participants teach 8th graders how to save money and the advantages of saving in a bank.

SIFE is also in the process of setting up a project in which students will teach people in the community about on-line banking.

"These students are extremely dedicated to making their projects work," said Julie Tillman, director of SIFE.

There are currently about 15-20 active members participating in SIFE.

Every year there is a job fair where SIFE members get to practice the skills they have learned.

"The job fair was great because I met a lot of recruiters who were actually interested in talking to me about an internship or a job," said Heidi Thordarson, sophomore financial services and management major.

This year, SIFE has a goal of winning the regional championship that's coming up in April in Atlanta.

If the SAU chapter wins, the students will go on to the SIFE USA National Exposition held in Kansas City.

RA's mentor new students

JUELLE JAMES
STAFF WRITER

Dorm Resident Assistants are part of a group helping mentor new students. There are 80 mentors, each responsible for 10 students. Each mentor makes sure the student is doing okay as they transition into college life. They also are available to answer any questions.

The program began last semester. The students were informed at worship during freshman orientation that they would periodically receive a call to see how they were doing.

"We want to let the first-year

students know that somebody cares and is here for support," said Kassy Krause, Associate Dean of Women.

Connecting can be hard since sometimes students resist outside help.

"I don't have all the answers," said Lewanda Smith, Thatcher Resident Assistant. "I don't want to think of myself as a mentor but as a friend. Because a friend will always be there."

"The men are a little harder to reach out to. 'Some guys open up and some don't,' said David Williams, Talge Resident Assistant.



Kassy Krause, associate dean of women, is one of the many mentors at Thatcher Hall.

Photo by Rachel Day

Some freshman are pleased with the new program. "My RA always takes time to say hello to me and answers any questions that I may have," said Ellen Bascom, freshman biology major. "She answered a lot of my questions for both my roommate and me."

In the words of resident assistant Williams, "Getting involved with a group makes your experience worthwhile. Involvement changes your experience."

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come from outside the bank to meet with clients. Now there is enough room to have meetings and financial advisers can work at desks in the bank.

The new building's 5,000 sq. ft. has much more space than the original building's

1,500 feet. Construction on the new bank started in April. "There was about a month of rain delay," said Mark Kuebler, the building project manager. But the building crew buckled down and was able to meet October's opening date.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES



Aaron Roche enjoys music as much as feeding kangaroos. Photo contributed

Music can be the great escape

AARON RHO
STAFF WRITER

Sipping his coffee, he ponders the last line of lyrics he has just written. Should he go to press or finish this song? This is his own dimension of life where he can escape the busy day and enter the powerful, abstract world of songwriting.

Aaron Roche, sophomore ecology major, is one of the many students at Southern who find music as a deep passion. With intricate finger work on the guitar and a mellow voice similar to singer John Mayer, Roche composes and performs his own songs.

"Music is a universal language," he said. "You can convey thoughts and ideas, sometimes even without words. You can break down cultural barriers and cut straight to the heart of humanity."

Roche lives in Florida and has been songwriting since his sophomore year in high school. Among other instruments, he mostly enjoys playing the guitar and bass guitar.

Most of his afternoons and late nights are spent in a tedious musician's sweat-to-him, nothing is better than the soothing strum of a guitar and a pad of paper. Without this daily opportunity to do what he loves most, life would not make sense—each passing day would only be mere survival.

Inspirations for songs come from the feelings of awe Roche receives when admiring the complexity of God's creation and the serene, simple beauty of nature. An avid listener of all types of music, he especially focuses on jazz and classical, melodies from which to grow as a composer and musical artist.

By looking up to roles models such as Phil Keaggy, one of the world's greatest guitarists, he sees music as a big part of his future.

"I'm trying to figure out what God wants me to do with my music," Roche said.

Roche and friends have formed a band and plan to play frequently around the Chattanooga area next semester.

Relax at The Stone Cup

TIFFANYUELL
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Do you ever want a place where you can get away from school and just relax? Or maybe you want a change of scenery for studying because you cannot stand to be in your dorm room another minute! The Stone Cup is a great place that fulfills all those desires. The Stone Cup has been in Chattanooga since 1997. It is located in downtown Chattanooga near Coolidge Park overlooking the river and provides a relaxed environment complete with couches where you are able to study.

If you would like a more contemporary feeling, the Stone Cup has recently opened a new shop at Hamilton Place Boulevard. You can relax outside, or you may opt to go inside. The inside of the Stone

Cup contains little white tables and chairs. On each table is a glass bottle with a single dairy in it. Music plays quietly in the background. There are a number of items to choose from. If you like hot chocolate, there is regular hot chocolate, white chocolate, and Dalmatian hot chocolate, which is a mixture of dark and white chocolate. The Stone Cup makes all its hot chocolate from pure Ghirardelli chocolate. They serve the hot drinks in a large stone cup filled to the brim and covered in whipped cream. There is also a full espresso bar with numerous espresso varieties to choose from. Your drinks can be ordered soy, skim, hot or ice. You can also choose from hot tea, iced tea, Chai, Italian soda, French soda and American soda. The Stone Cup also serves fat free, 100% fruit

smoothies made with ice. Just a few of the smoothie choices include Spunky Monkey, Tropicolada, Pink Lemonade, Freeze, Peaches 'n Cream, Straight-Up and Strawberry Parfait. You may even add an herbal boost to your smoothie to improve your mood, give you energy, or simply give you protein and vitamins. The Stone Cup also has breakfast and lunch menus. There are a variety of muffins, pastries, scones, croissants, soups, sandwiches, and salads to choose from, plus a daily special to add to your list of possibilities.

The Stone Cup is a charming little coffee shop that allows you to study or relax in its pleasant, welcoming atmosphere.

For more information, you can visit stonecup.com

Nilo's Getting Hitched



Nilo pops the question to Nilogirl

Alilia Martin (Nilogirl) and Olin Blodgett (Nilo) are looking to announce their engagement.

Miss Martin is the daughter of Ron and Lily Martin of Apopka, Florida. She will be graduating from Southern Adventist University with a bachelor of business administration in accounting in December 2003. She has accepted an analyst position in the reimbursement department at Adventist Health System's corporate office in Orlando, Florida.

Mr. Blodgett is the son of David and Debbie Blodgett of Holland, Massachusetts. He graduated with a BS in computer science and computer systems administration from Southern Adventist University in May 2003. He is currently employed at Florida Hospital in the Management Information Systems department.

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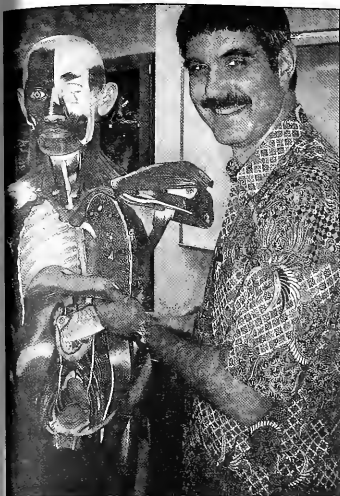
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Dr. Snyder shows off one of the mannequins used to show correct placement of body parts.

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Meet Dr. Keith Snyder: tropical biologist

RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Before coming to Southern in 1995, Dr. Keith Snyder lived in Indonesia for nine years. While there, he was the chair of West Indonesian Union College's biology department. The experience was unique because Snyder had to teach in a different language. "Students were always polite," in Indonesia, but "the paperwork was atrocious," he said.

In Indonesia, Snyder lived on a volcano and could visit the jungle anytime. "We had the best climate in the world," he said. The temperature never dropped below 60 or went above 85.

Living in Indonesia gave Snyder the chance to spend some time SCUBA diving. There are "all kinds of things I can see in the water," he said, from soft corals and turtles to scorpion fish and sharks. The Indonesian reefs have 2,500 species of fish, plus all the other ocean life, he said.

Snyder's favorite class to teach is Tropical Biology.

"You travel around the world and climb volcanoes and dive on the best reefs in the world," he said. He especially enjoys exposing students to such exciting experiences.

As a child, he went for walks in the woods, played in creeks, went camping and canoeing, played sports, and was interested in music. His love for nature and the outdoors eventually led him to become a biology teacher.

Snyder likes helping students understand things. "I like to help the students plan for their careers," he said. He also enjoys just having fun with students.

He grew up where he's chair of the physics department.

He earned his B.S. and M.S. from Andrews University and his Ph.D. from Washington State University.

"I see God in nature most," Snyder said. He sees God's hand in the intricate designs found throughout nature. "I could certainly see Satan's imprint, but God's creation is still very visible," he said.

"Tuesdays with Morrie:" A teacher's life-lessons live on

MELISSA TURNER
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

"Are you at peace with yourself?" Morrie Schwartz asks former student Mitch Albom in the book "Tuesdays with Morrie." Mitch is someone who most of us busy college students can relate to. Rushing from one interview to the next press conference and facing deadline upon deadline, Mitch lives the bustling life of a successful sports journalist. But is he really at peace with who he is and how he is living his life? Morrie tells Mitch "I'm going to get to you, Mitch."

You see, Morrie firmly believes that when you know how to die then you can know how to live. At 78 years of age Morrie is suffering from Lou Gehrig's Disease and it is only a matter of time before the paralysis and poison associated with the disease finally take over Morrie's body completely. Morrie receives a death sentence. But Morrie doesn't see it that way. He instead takes the time he has left to see life for what it really is and to share his beliefs and experi-

ences and his love with those closest to him.

Mitch was one of Morrie's favorite sociology students. And the feeling was mutual. They met together and worked over Mitch's papers together. They ate together and talked together. But after graduation, Mitch got busy and did not keep his promise to keep in contact with his beloved college professor.

One evening, while watching a Ted Koppel interview, Mitch sees a feature on Morrie Schwartz, a beloved sociology professor who is dying from Lou Gehrig's disease. That report is the first Mitch has seen or heard of his professor since graduation. Mitch finally decides to go back to visit the professor he had affectionately called "Coach." But that one visit turns into many visits as the two men share every remaining Tuesday together talking about the big "scary" issues of life: death, dying, fear, love, marriage, family, dependence, all of the things that scare Mitch.

Morrie's teaching does not end just because he is on his deathbed. He continues to

teach Mitch about the important things in life. Morrie and Mitch talk about what culture says is good or bad such as having lots of money, being ambitious and successful, being independent or not being emotional or spiritual because that is too "touchy-feely." Slowly, over those Tuesdays they spend together, Morrie does get to Mitch. Mitch is a changed person because of the life lessons Morrie shares with him.

The message that Morrie offers and the touching relationship between Morrie and Mitch gets to readers too. After four years on the New York Times bestseller list, "Tuesdays with Morrie" continues to touch readers at the very core of their being. Reading and becoming immersed in the heart-warming last journey between teacher and student stirs readers to ask themselves:

"Am I at peace with myself?"
"Tuesdays with Morrie" can be found at nearly any bookstore or library and there are copies available for loan from McKee Library.

Tony's Business Beat Money or Morals?

TONY CASTELBUONO
BUSINESS EDITOR

Do you ever rationalize? Do you ever say something because it's the right thing to say but not necessarily what you believe? Whether we like to admit it or not, I believe that all of us have used rationalization and tried to please our audience rather than say what we're thinking and what we would actually do.

For last time's Q&A I asked five students what they really do if they knew they could take \$10,000 from work and no one would ever know. Three students said they wouldn't take the money, one hoped they wouldn't, and the other person said they probably wouldn't unless there was good rationalization to take the money. I was not surprised by the responses I received but I felt that the

reality of the matter is that when confronted with a real-life situation more people would take the money than not take the money.

Let's imagine the following scenario: its ten years down the road and you have stumbled around \$10,000 at work that no one else knows about. In addition, no one will ever find out about it. Since no one will ever find out about it you think that taking the money really isn't stealing; besides no will ever know, so if you don't take it you're losing out. On the other hand you know the money doesn't belong to you and that taking the money is stealing. Rationalizing that the money is "free" for the taking is not an alternative. You've got two options. One, you could slip the money in your pocket and walk away. Two, you tell your boss about the money you

have found.

So what would you do? Option one or option two, take the money or have a comforted conscience?

Sometime in the future we all are going to be confronted with an ethical situation where we will have to choose between right and wrong, stealing and not stealing, and pleasing ourselves and pleasing God. In today's world, morals are often in conflict; whether it's on television, in the movies, on the front page of the newspaper, at work or behind the scenes, what people do (take money that isn't theirs) and what people should do (be morally right) are often contradictory.

When the time comes to make an ethical decision I hope and pray that everyone will choose right over wrong and desire to please God rather than self.

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RELIGION

Small groups foster spiritual growth and accountability

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Small groups are forming around campus. Are they cliques? Is Southern dividing? No! On the contrary, these groups are for the spiritual benefit of everyone on the Southern campus. So what are small groups?

Small groups are a branch ministry of the Creative Ministries department in the Chaplain's Office. Small groups are a meeting of three to twelve people for the spiritual growth

of each individual. This is usually a time of Bible Study and Prayer.

The groups, depending on size, may consist of a leader and/or co-leader and members.

These groups hope to engage Southern students in meaningful Bible study and to connect them with other Christians in fellowship. The groups also wish to develop accountability in spiritual growth. When accomplished, these goals benefit all of Southern by raising

the spiritual atmosphere and the thought process of the students to a higher plane. This is the philosophy of small groups.

The co-coordinator of small groups, Kessia Lawson, says "We can only increase the spirituality of SAU by connecting individuals with Christ. Meaningful relationships don't happen in masses."

This is why small groups are so important. Worship and vespers are important, but they do not bring us into a personal relationship with Christ as effectively as small groups do.

Small groups work on a level that can help those involved grow in their relationship with Christ through accountability among group members. Thus small groups help Southern to grow spiritually because the student body is made up of individuals who are growing spiritually.

One small group is led by Caitlin Cress and meets on Thursday nights at 7:30 in the Thatcher South lobby. The



Members of a small group participate in Bible study. L to R: Andrew Bermudez, Caitlin Cress, and Hannah Swayze.

Photo by Rachel Day

group is currently studying I Peter. They begin each meeting with reflections and prayer time before moving on to Bible study. The group normally meets for 45 minutes to an hour. Members have been blessed.

There are many ways to get involved with small groups on campus. If you are interested in finding out more about small groups or want to find the group that is right for you, contact Kessia Lawson (238-2367)

or Josh Bennett (238-2536). Lawson and Bennett are the co-coordinators of small groups and they can help you join a group or start your own.

Also, there is a sister program operating in Thatcher called "Door Ministries" in which girls visit girls on their hall and pray for them. If someone comes by from Door Ministries, you can ask her about joining a small group.

Pierson Lectureship this Weekend

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STAFF WRITER

Every November the School of Religion sponsors the Robert H. Pierson Lectureship.

The theme for this year's meetings, which will take place next weekend, is "Ellen White in the New Millennium." The featured speaker will be Dr. Cindy Tutsch, associate director of the Ellen G. White Estate of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists located in Silver Springs, Maryland.

Tutsch will speak Friday evening at 7:30 and Sabbath morning at 9:30 and 11:45. All meetings will be held in the Thatcher Hall chapel and are required for all religion majors.

The Robert H. Pierson Lectureship is named after a former president of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and a Southern alumnus. It is one of five special yearly meetings organized by the School of Religion for its majors and the community. Guests for this lectureship have excelled in some form of leadership role in the Church. "It is our hope to expose students to such individuals with vast experience in service for God," said Ron Cloutz, dean of the School of Religion.

According to Brigitte Di Memmo, office manager for the School of Religion, Tutsch's position includes



Cindy Tutsch will speak this weekend for the Robert H. Pierson Lectureship.

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"promoting an enthusiasm and understanding for Ellen White among youth and young adults worldwide."

Tutsch has worked in youth ministry and evangelism for 33 years. She initiated Youth Challenge in North America, an outreach that encourages teens to teach Bible studies and Revelation Seminars, do service projects for the community, and distribute gospel literature door-to-door. She has received several awards for excellence in ministry and teaching. Tutsch is married and has three young adult children.

Although the main goal of the lectureship is to facilitate the training of ministers in biblical studies, theology, history, Adventist heritage, homiletics, administration, and other areas of preparation for service, all are welcome to attend these meetings.

Church Schedule

For November 15, 2003

Compiled by Sean Reed

Church	Time	Speaker	Title
Chattanooga First Church	9:45 & 11:00	Fred R. Fuller	--
Collegedale Church	9:00 & 11:30	Tim Cross	--
Collegedale Korean Church	11:00	Justin Evans	NOW
Collegedale Spanish Church	9:00 - 11:45	Pastor Luis Fajardo	--
Hamilton Community Church	11:30	--	--
McDonald Road Church	8:50 & 11:25	Kent Crutcher	"Through the Roof"
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Missions Expo draws large turnout

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GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

This past Saturday the Student Center was transformed into a world market of cultural exchange during the annual Student Missions Expo. Student missionaries in colorful costumes represented over 30 countries. Students had a chance to view artifacts from the lush islands of Micronesia, the jungles of South America, the plains of Africa, and many other countries including the United States.

The purpose of the Expo is to acquaint students with the opportunities available to them in the Student Missionary (SM) program. The Expo helps get students excited about the possibilities of being a student missionary and gives them an idea of what is available. It also gives former missionaries a chance to share their experiences and recruit students to serve in their respective countries.

This year's Expo saw a large turnout; the Student Center was packed with people. According to Sherrie Norton, director of Student Missions, nearly 500 people visited the Expo. Some people came because they were interested in being an SM, and others came just to see the exhibits. All were met by former student missionaries who were eager to encourage them to take a year out to serve God.

Kristen Burgdorff has toyed with the possibility of being an

SM and found the Expo exciting. "There was so much diversity and it really showed me the needs of the different countries," says Burgdorff.

Lauren Holland's favorite part of the Expo was the video at the Pohnpei booth. "It was very inspiring, and it made me want to go to the islands," comments Holland.

Students swarmed the Guyana booth, which featured a blow-dart shooting contest. Jaime Pombo served as an SM in Guyana last year and got involved in the Expo to reach other students. "God calls all of us and I want to encourage other students to go so that they can find purpose and meaning in life like I did," says Pombo. "I want them to really experience God, not just know He's there."

There are currently 83 Southern student missionaries and taskforce workers. This number is down, however, from 95 last year and 123 two years ago. Norton contributes the decline to international turmoil, 9-11, SARS, and the war in Iraq. The decrease in student missionaries has left a great need in Adventist ministries around the world, according to Norton. "We usually send 25-28 students to the Micronesian Islands and this year we only have 14 there," says Norton. "Some of the schools had to close because they did not get enough teachers."

Ben Martin serves as the Student Missions Club president and encourages anyone who is interested in serving as a student missionary or taskforce worker to come to the Campus Ministries Office. "With over 1,000 calls around the world and a wide variety of opportunities," says Martin, "God has a place for each and every one who is interested in serving Him."



Southern students visit and elderly shut in and bring a smile to her lonely face

Photo contributed

Ministry Helps Shut Out Boredom, Loneliness for Shut-ins

DAVID BEHL
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

On a recent Sabbath afternoon, a group of students gathered outside Wright Hall to give several shut-in people in Collegedale and the surrounding area. With so many options for ministry open that Sabbath, I did not know what I should do that afternoon; I felt, though, that God wanted me to go with the Shut-in Ministry. I went with that group to visit some people who have a hard time coming to church or even getting out of their homes. I enjoyed the time I spent visiting these people, and I would like to tell you all about what we did, how it impacted the people we visited, and how it impacted us.

The Shut-in Ministry, sponsored by Campus Ministries, visits a number of people living near Southern who cannot or

do not attend church regularly. Stephanie Doud, the coordinator of the Shut-in Ministry, gets a list of the names and addresses of these people from the Collegedale church. On Sabbath afternoons we drive to these people's homes and spend some time getting to know them and singing for them.

The shut-ins appreciate our visits. Although some of them have difficulty understanding us or remembering everything we say, they are generally happy to have visitors. Stephanie remembers that one of the ladies we recently visited said it is "so sweet of you to come visit an old lady." Many of them are lonely and enjoy our coming to talk to them and sing for them.

However, the shut-ins are not the only ones who benefit from being visited. Visiting these people was also a blessing

to me and to everyone else involved in ministering to the social needs of these people. We enjoyed learning about them and their families. One man we met had been a president of a division in the Middle East. His room was decorated with camels and other Middle Eastern decorations.

Additionally, everyone who went visiting enjoyed the conversation as we drove to and from the people whom we visited. Visiting them also helped me to be more grateful for my own physical strength and capabilities.

I encourage you to go with the Shut-in Ministries the next time they go visiting. Jesus says: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me" (Matthew 25:40).

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Stratton Tingle and Jon Michael reminisce on mission experience at the Mission Exposition held last Sabbath.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT OPINION

Show some respect: fix financial aid

JUSTIN KOBYLKA
OPINION EDITOR

This week I'd like to share a couple words about the financial aid department. In a few of my recent visits I've been reminded that there are disadvantages to going to such a successful University. In my experience over the past three years, the counselors in the financial aid office do not seem to be in touch with the students. And if the

incredible growth rate of this institution is causing it to take its students for granted than there is a problem.

For most students, the financial aspect of their lives is the most sensitive part of their college experience. These students need to feel that the financial aid department is as concerned about their college education as they are. I have sat in the waiting area while my counselor walked around the office and

chatted with her co-workers. Every student that walks into the office should be shown that they are the priority.

It may be tough to deal with unpaid bills and those who simply cannot afford to pay, but maybe it's time to step back and look at the real goals of this university. It's about giving and empowering. While bills must be paid, just a spirit of compassion and understanding would be awesome. Many students I

have spoken with consider the financial aid department to have a type of tunnel vision - loans are not the answer for everybody, and eventually loans must be paid too.

How about the errors? Earlier this year, the financial aid department mistakenly left me off a scholarship list and if I hadn't noticed and spoken with five different staff members, I would never have been credited the amount. Ok, I can deal with

that - mistakes happen, right? But I would have felt much better if someone would have just told me "We'll take care of it for you."

I hope this is not perceived as an attack on what I consider a great institution. I have also had a few positive experiences with the financial aid department. But in the end I have to say that based on my negative experiences and those of other students, something is broken.

If you don't like it, do something about it!

ANDREW BERMUDEZ
OPINION EDITOR

What do you think of our school's productions and events this year? From what I hear, there are a number of complaints going around. There are numerous complaints about things such as the Accent, SA, senate, spiritual life on campus, dorm worship, and even Datatel. Now there's nothing wrong with complaining - it can be a good way to bring attention to what is felt to be a problem. For example, in the case of Datatel, it brings attention to... actually, let's not go there.

But when it comes to the shortcomings of many school functions, rather than just complaining, if you feel something is missing or wrong,

take action to try to fix it. If you think there is too little content in the Accent, then write something yourself! Perhaps there's an issue weighing on your mind that you feel needs to be addressed, or maybe you have written something ten times' funnier than anything that has ever flowed from our Friendly Neighborhood Humor Editor's pen.** Then send it in! The Accent is the voice of the student body here at Southern. That includes not only those of us who write regularly, but every one of you. Let your voice be heard!

Do you think the SA parties are missing something? Make a suggestion to one of the SA officers. Just like the Accent is the student voice, the SA, as its very name indicates, is

about all of us - the students.

Many suggestions about school functions can be directed to the members of the school senate. Some students seem to feel that senate doesn't accomplish anything, but how can they accomplish anything if we - their constituency - fail to give them anything to do? Get to know your senator and make suggestions to him or her. Their job is to listen to our ideas and represent us to the school administration. The more good ideas we give them, the more great things they may be able to accomplish.

So if there are things that bother you, don't just complain about them; give constructive criticism, and get involved. We can all work together to make Southern a

better place.

But if you have an information system better than Datatel lying around on a spare hard drive somewhere... just leave it there. The last

thing we all need is a third set of ID numbers!

* By cooperative estimate
** Or Queen Christine's pen

Voice or Whisper

Dear Editor,

The SA Senate is the voice of the students. However, most students take this voice for granted and because of its neglect and verbal abuse, this voice becomes more of a whisper.

This year, only 24 students ran for one of the 28 seats available and only 299 students voted. This low involvement is ironically offset by increasing criticism from the student body itself. The complaints usually state that the SA Senate does nothing to change policy or life on campus.

Most of the Senate's work is done behind the scenes, away from the spotlight. Senators meet twice a month to bring issues to the floor and discuss what constituents are concerned about.

Last year, I was a senator for Talge 2nd North/West. Nearly every concern that was brought to my attention was voiced in a meeting for discussion or I personally went and talked to whomever the issue was pertinent to, whether it was a dean or the Vice President for Student Services.

From what I saw and heard, the student's frustrations were heard in our meetings and we did what we could. More than anything, senators worked

with the deans to change small things in the residence halls.

The Senate takes the concerns to the appropriate channels and sets the wheels in motion. Things take a while to change when you have a system where the students have an active part in the decision-making process.

Your fellow students representing you took their personal, out-of-class and work time and labored in committees to keep the Student Association running along the official lines of the constitution; they dialogued with administration about everything from cafeteria food, to campus grounds, to ID Cards being used in the village market, to lighting in campus parking lots.

Senate members are open for anyone to attend and students are encouraged to come and see the amount of work and devotion that a small group of twenty-eight put in so unselfishly.

I appreciate the work my senator puts in this year and the time the Senate as a whole dedicates to the students of Southern. However, some believe it is easier to complain than to actually try to see what does happen on their behalf.

Thomas L. Wentworth
Social Vice President

Thumbs up - Thumbs down

JUSTIN KOBYLKA
OPINION EDITOR

Thumbs up to new ticket and appeal system. Every streamlined and the appeal system is quite convenient. Thanks.

Thumbs up to Alumni weekend. It's great to hear the history of Southern and see the ones who have come before. Thanks for a great weekend of remembering and making the whole process easy on the current students.

Thumbs down to the Records Office for not mailing out folders to parents and students. Although we can now look grades up online, this process was not as easy as it should be and it is very inconvenient for some parents who might not be computer savvy.

Thumbs down to the complicated maze of websites that students have to look through to find info. Aside from the main University site, there is access.edu, theplace.southern.edu, etc.. Please consolidate a bit, things would be a lot more convenient.

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Matt Higgins and Nataníel Reyes, captain of Cocoa Butter take a break after their game last Wednesday.

Photo by Jacqui Sealey

All about All-Madden

JUELLE JAMES
ASSISTANT EDITOR

With the SAU flag football season officially over, many things will be etched into the memories of the players and the fans. Whether it was an incredible interception, or a bad referee call, this season was definitely an eventful one.

One team that made an exceptional turn around towards the end of the playoffs was All-Madden. Winning only one game all season, many suspected that they would have been eliminated the first game of the playoffs because of the one-game elimination factor. Because of All-Madden's lack of organization and personal arrogance, they were not even considered as being factor to other teams for the playoffs.

"We were a team packed with so much talent, but we just didn't harness our skills properly. Too many players learned the rules of the game during the season instead of before it," said team coach Chris Rafter. "We learned every time we lost," said Jeffrey Thompson. All-Madden's starting offensive line blocker.

However, All-Madden's team meetings and stressful practices were not all in vain. Despite having low team-esteem coming into the last game of the season, All-Madden destroyed team Honey Buns 33-6. Enthused by their first win, team All-Madden entered the playoffs and beat team Little Rascals in their first game of the playoffs. But All-Madden's playoff quest was far from over. They were to play the third best team in the entire Men's Division, team Cali-Asia. All odds were against All-Madden, but they did not let that lower their now growing confidence. A dramatic presentation of skill and the lack of giving up is what All-Madden displayed throughout the game, which resulted in an upset over team Cali-Asia 6-0.

"A lot of assumptions were made and when it came down to it, all of us were surprised," said Claude Mapp, offensive line blocker.

The Bombers were ready to play Cali-Asia since they believed that All-Madden didn't have a chance. On hearing the upset, the Bombers then realized that this wasn't the same team that they had played earlier in the season.

"We came together as one and defeated all odds. No one believed in us but we are here to prove otherwise," said David Andre' Johnson, All-Madden's corner blocker.

The game was a fast one. Resemblance of Michael Vick was seen in All-Madden's quarterback Michael Valentine when he made a touchdown covering 74 yards.

But with such efforts, All-Madden's greatest enemy was time. It was a hard loss but it was worth it all.

"We were a day late and a dollar short," said Jon Johnson, All-Madden's middle line blocker. All-Madden was a team that went against adversity and proved to all that with effort you can turn around. In the words of Rodney Jackson, All-Madden's wide receiver, "Potential and athleticism amount to knowing and having prior knowledge of the game makes a difference. Look out for us next year."

ETHAN NKANNA
SPORTS EDITOR

The Women's Northern Division Niners (6-1-1) defeated the Southern Division Patriots (7-0) last Thursday night 24-0, to win the Women's Flag Football Championship.

Although field conditions were less than fair, the Niners relied heavily on their running game, with

MARK GUNTHER
STAFF WRITER

On a wet and muddy field, the #1 seeded CA team clashed with the #2 seeded Wild Huskers in the 2003 Southern Bowl flag football championship game last Wednesday night.

Both teams seemed hesitant to throw the ball deep because of the conditions; CA proved that this was the case as Scott Gooch scored the first touchdown on a short screen pass to the left side.

The Wild Huskers struck right back on a long drive, with Presto Black scoring the go-ahead touchdown with a sharp run and catch. The Huskers hung on to a 7-6 lead as the clock counted down the seconds to half time.

The defense dominated the first half but the second half was full of offensive drama as the teams began to become more and more comfortable on the wet field. Both teams traded interceptions before

the Huskers scored again on a fantastic option play with Kenoy Smith catching the pass and pitching back to Tad Wilson who ran in the score.

Brent Ford, however, would not let the CA ball club fall too far behind as he scored to bring CA within one point of the Huskers. CA failed the extra point attempt.

It appeared that all the Huskers had to do was capitalize on their first down opportunity to secure their victory, but a crucial down on 4th down by Huskers QB, Kevin Johnson, gave CA one last chance to steal the win.

CA drove the ball down and seemed destined to score, but just as they positioned themselves within striking distance, the Huskers made a key defensive stop and were able to run out the clock. The Wild Huskers survived a late fight back by the CA team and emerged as this year's Southern Bowl Champions!



The Bomber's Justin Moore snaps the flags off All-Madden's Claude Mapp

Photo by Jacqui Sealey

Niners win the big one!

Running Back Sully Shadle tearing the Patriots' defense apart. Shadle rushed for 3 touchdowns in the contest.

Despite Shadle's ramp, the Patriots' defense proved to be lethal in the regular season, carrying them to a perfect (7-0) record. "We had to work hard for every point because of their tight defense," said Niners' Quarterback, Julie

Handysides.

Rachel Snider scored the Niners' final touchdown on a pass from QB, Julie Clarke. Although the Patriots were able to score once, it wasn't enough to overcome the stifling man-to-man defense of the Niners.

The game was ended early on the Mercy Rule with the Niners on top by a score of 24-6.

Bombers Sink All-Madden

JEFF LAMBERT
STAFF WRITER

Tournament action heated in the second round of men's football last Wednesday night as team All-Madden and the Bombers squared off to see who would advance on to play in the semifinals.

Justin Moore started off the team in the right direction early in the third play of the game with an interception. On the next play, the Bomber's Ryan Lucht reversed play to the end zone and gave his crew an early 6-0 lead.

All-Madden's offense responded with a quick drive down the field and into the end zone. A great TD catch by Claude Bethea tied up the game at 6-6.

On the Bombers' next possession they ran a perfect pass play to Bryce Fisher for a touchdown. On the next play Fisher intercepted the ball. The Bombers' defense asked what he started, cutting off the pass in the back of the end zone to extend his team's lead. All-Madden started off the second half with a beautiful run down rulo by quarterback Michael Valentine, tying the score at 12-12. Both teams battled back and forth on offense, trying to gain the upper hand.

The Bombers managed to break the deadlock with a touchdown catch by Justin Johnson, giving them the 19-12 lead. With little time left in the game All-Madden looked to win one last push down the field. All-Madden managed to do so through a great catch from David Johnson. But All-Madden was unable to come up with a score in the seconds as the Bombers held for the victory.



The Bomber's, Ryan Lucht, scores a touchdown for team CA.

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7 pm 360 Degrees - Seminar Room Collegedale Church
Symphony Orchestra Tour (13-16)
Birthdays: Joshua Knight, Marty Hamilton, Joe Drew

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14

7:45 am SA Senate Pancake Feed (Promenade)
5:36 pm Sunset
7:30 pm Pierson Lectureship - Cindy Tuttsch (Thatcher)
8:00 pm Vespers - Terry Swenson (Church)
9:00 pm Reflections Café (Dining Hall)

Payday

Birthdays: Nicole Brock, Andrew Burks, Judy Nguru, Desi Batson, Ken Rogers, Tim Ambler, Arlen Byrd, Joel Jordan, William Krigel

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

9:00 am Collegedale Church Service - Tim Cross
9:30 am Pierson Lectureship - Cindy Tuttsch (Thatcher)
The Third - Mike Fulbright (Iles)
10:00 am "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
10:00 am "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)
11:00 am Pierson Lectureship - Cindy Tuttsch (Thatcher)
11:30 am Collegedale Church Service - Tim Cross
11:40 am The Third Sabbath School (Upstairs Gospel Chapel in Church)
2:30 pm Flag Camp
5:30 pm Evensong (Church)
7:00 pm 3 on 3 Volleyball Tournament (Iles)

Birthdays: Tom Allen, Heather Awe, Michael Christ, John Fickett, Michael Valentin, Charlotte Atthey, Doug Jacobs, Amanda Hayes, Joshua Majors, Ben Martin, Nayelly Ramirez, Jonathan Theodore-Pierre

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

1:300 pm Soup Kitchen
Diversity Week (17-21)
Birthdays: Tim Cwozdinski, Jason Gibson, Amy Herman, Tony Ludwig, Rick Leffler

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17

3:30 pm Academic Affairs
7:30 pm GMT Productions: "The Trail of Tears" (Ackerman, Convocation Credit)
Praxis Exams, Student Center
Birthdays: Carissa-Joy Andrews, LaRae Coleman, Kenyon Moon, Lorraine Grace, Stephanie Kirschmann, Maria Royhal-Hazen, Kendra Worrow

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

11:45 am Tornado Siren Test
7:00 pm Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)

Birthdays: Shelley Chamberlain, Marcella Colburn, Raena Ewing, Jim Wanpeler, Aaron Farley, Kellie Gauthier, Maurice Maynard

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

7:00 pm SA Senate (White Oak Room)
8:30 pm The Worship (Lynn Wood Chapel)
Birthdays: Evie Deal, Rajiv Gomer, Michael Carver, Josef Ghosn, Louise Joseph, Wesley Villanueva

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20

11:00 am Convocation - Diversity: Douglas Spotted Eagle (Iles)
Birthdays: Adrienne Martin, Kevin Mattson, Suzi Robertson, Bryn Stitzer, Barbara James, Mary Morford, Norman Harebottle, Tiffany Harris, Tim Morse, Manuels Ionita

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENIOR PRE-MED STUDENTS: Dr. Thorn from Loma Linda University/School of Medicine will be on campus November 17-19. Call the Counseling Center at 2782 for an appointment.

This Saturday Night is 3 on 3 Volleyball Tournaments. Call 2850 for more information. Come and cheer for your friends during this tournament.

CLUBS & DEPARTMENTS

English Honor Society, SIGMA TAU DELTA, looking for new members! Are you enrolled as an English major or minor? Have you completed a minimum of two college courses in English language or literature beyond the freshman requirements? Do you hold a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 in English? Is your cumulative GPA 3.5? Have you completed at least three semesters of college courses? If you can answer YES to the questions above you may qual-

ify as a member of this international honor society. Application can be obtained from Dr. McClarty or Beverly Self, Brock Hall 322 or 317. Deadline for applications is December 3, 2003. Induction will be early next semester.

CONTEMPORARY FRENCH CULTURE & CIVILIZATION. French majors who have studied for one year at Collonges-sous-Saleve or if you are proficient in French, scoring 4+ on the language placement exam, may be interested in Contemporary French Culture

and Civilization. This is a class where you can share your travel experiences and practice your French skills. French ONLY will be spoken in this class. There is a new time and location for this class, Tuesday and Thursday from 1:00 - 2:15 p.m. in Miller Hall Seminar Room. Call 2264 or 3381 if you have any questions.

CAMPUS MINISTRIES

360 degrees - a revolutionary way to worship is having its second meeting this Thursday, November 13 at 7:00 p.m. It will be held upstairs in the seminar room at the Collegedale Church. All are invited. Come and bring your friends and enjoy a time of Christian fellowship and worship.

REFLECTIONS CAFE

will be at 9:00 p.m. or following Vespers. Bob the Tomato and Larry the Cucumber would like to invite you and your friends to Reflections Cafe this Friday evening. Be prepared for fun, silly songs, and snacks in the Dining Hall after Vespers. Sponsored by Student Wellness.

WHERE ARE YOU GONNA SIT

Next time you're in the cafeteria, in the bleachers, or

in the auditorium, take a look around. See any border lines? This fall, students all over the country will be taking a hard look at the "rules" that tell us where we belong, who we can befriend, and where we should sit. Then we're gonna break 'em. Challenge the boundaries. Take a new seat.

DIVERSITY WEEK

(November 17-21) The mission of the SAU Diversity Committee is to promote understanding of cultural differences and focus on ways to meet the needs and encourage full participation of every student in campus life. The goals of the committee are to celebrate diversity for all peoples and cultures, to provide continuous diversity education for faculty, staff, and students, and to encourage the recruitment of underrepresented faculty, staff, and student groups. With this mission and these goals in mind, the Diversity Committee with various student organizations present opportunities to experience various cultures each day next week, through cultural presentations/artifacts, ethnic cuisine, Residence Hall workshops, and the "Trail of Tears" theatrical program. Watch posters for details.

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A world or two apart

JASON AUSTIN
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When I crossed the border of my west-coast home state on eastbound Interstate 84, I thought I knew what I was leaving behind. I knew the political geography of the United States and could visualize the shape of each state I passed through. But no mere chalkboard outline could have prepared me for the sense of foreignness I feel as I've begun to settle in to living in the South.

The first time I visited the South, I was struck by little oddities. I remember seeing a sign in northern Georgia selling someone or something named "Saxby Chambliss." I think it was a campaign poster, but I'm not completely sure; the name sounded more like that of a household chemical than that of a person running for office. In the Northwest we have politicians with names like Gordon and Ted. You know—simple and straight-forward.

"Simple and straight-forward," in fact, is a great way of describing the Northwest generally. People there don't worry a lot about image or tradition. While the South puts a lot of effort into "keeping up appearances," what you see is what you get: it's the unofficial motto of the Northwest. People say what they mean, do what seems best without being too concerned about offending the sensibilities of the person next to them, and wear what they want to wear without looking at the calendar.

For you Northwesters who may be reading: I realize that you might not understand the last item in the preceding list of the Northwest's characteristics. Let me explain to you

what was carefully (and very seriously) explained to me recently. You see, in the South there are very specific rules about what should be worn and when. I am told that it is considered poor taste here to wear the color white during the winter half of the year. I'm not making this up. If you were to look into the closet of a typical Southerner in springtime, you would see interesting and—to the eyes of a typical Northwesterner—strange behavior. She would be unpacking and preparing for reintroduction into her assortment of outfit options a whole range of perfectly good clothes which had lain unused for the previous six months. Northwesterners, on the other hand, have been known to wear shorts to go out into a rainstorm, a heavy coat to head off into a deceitfully sunny day, and white any time they dare well choose to do so.

Though Northwesterners tend generally to be pretty comfortable with acting as they please, there is one area in which I've found the South to be the less conscience-stricken of the two regions: that of diet. When I first saw a restaurant's marquee shamelessly advertising "all-you-can-eat pork ribs," I almost blushed. In urban parts of the Northwest, eating large portions of high-cholesterol, high-fat foods carries a stigma similar to walking into a porn shop. In the Northwest almost everybody deviates from the unwritten rules of health-consciousness, but only in secret—only as a vice to be indulged in privately, not proudly emblazoned on a sign for everybody to see.

I know that every culture is

different, and that's okay. I consider awareness, understanding, and appreciation of the idiosyncrasies of other people to be qualities that I enjoy exercising. And despite all my jesting I've found much to like about the South. But I have to admit that as a newcomer here, used to the very different ways of the Northwest, I can't help but wonder sometimes if I've been abducted from Earth and taken to the homeworld of aliens from Planet Bar-B-Q.

When Jason isn't writing for the humor page or exploring planet Bar-B-Q he is the Accent subscription and distribution manager.

Top Ten announcements least likely to be heard at convocation

BRYAN STITZER
PHILIP HENNINGHOOD HUMOR EDITOR

10. Convocation credit will be given to all those attending Pasta Day from now on.

9. Due to a unanimous vote among the student body, the number of required wristrips has been reduced.

8. Due to research of competing food venues, the cafe has decided to reduce the cost of all of its food.

7. The University has decided to buy back all textbooks at original cost.

6. The University has decided to repeal its current curfew policy due to the fact that you adults and can be trusted much farther than the University can throw you.

5. Weekend leaves have also been repealed and you are stuck here forever (more likely than the last one).

4. A moving side walk is under construction for those needing to get from Hickman to Brock. Unfortunately, there will be no such side walk from Brock to Hickman. Sorry.

3. The University has decided to remodel and redecorate the sparse cells... er, dorm rooms in Thatcher, those in Thatcher South and Talge can just live with it.

2. Due to the interesting challenge the phrase, "Oh my badness," has caused students, Dr. Phil Garver has vowed to never again use it.

1. The new Datatext system has greatly expedited the process of...

Insightful Insights

by Jon Palmer

Love is like a steam roller with really pretty colors on the roller part:

You see it coming with its pinks and reds and indigos so you say, "Hey that won't hurt me."

And you keep standing there and the colors keep looking pretty and then....

Well, they say it is better to have loved and lost than to never have loved at all.

But then again, I bet who ever said that was never run over by a steam roller.

What's The deal with Top 10 Lists?

NOAH BOATWRIGHT
ACCEPT EDITOR

When I transferred to Southern last year I was fascinated with the student newspaper. I liked nearly every section except the Chatter (The small type and redundant layout bored me until my eyes crossed).

But I read all the other sections and liked them. I even liked the Humor section with its jokes about marriage and the painful stereotyping of the

several majors. But what most interested me on the Humor Page were the Top 10 lists.

What is the deal with Top 10 lists? How come there have to be 10 items? Is it something that stems from our physiology? Maybe since we are created with 10 digits at either end of our body we naturally lean toward using a base-10 number system. So maybe when we compile lists of top things, 10 seems like a logical and complete number of things to collect.

But where did Humor on Top 10 lists come from? I can remember wondering this as a child.

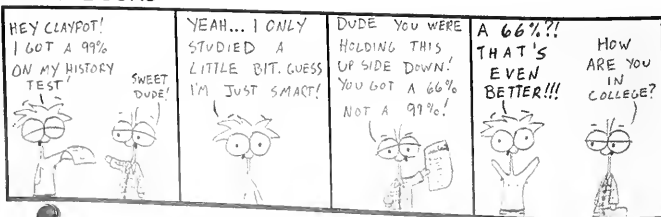
I was raised without the healthful benefits of television's vitalizing glow or its positive social and cultural conditioning. So when I found a tattered paperback copy of "Dorland's Letterman's Top Ten Lists" in a second hand store, not only did I not know who Dorland Letterman was, I couldn't find out what was funny about the lists.

This made me ask some life-defining questions. How do one decide which item is the most pithy, compact, balanced and number-one-worthy item in the Top 10 list? And furthermore, how does one graduate through the other nine items?

These questions still press upon me and maybe I need to spend some quality time with those who have mastered the Top 10 list.

I don't think I'll be visiting Letterman soon and I miss Rob York at Alumni Weekends but maybe Advice Dude can open to me the intricacies and secrets of the top 10 list.

DUMB DUCKS



by Justin Janetzko

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Auburn Academy dorm burns

Don Cantrell
Newspaper

A blaze at Auburn Adventist Academy Monday evening destroyed Nelson Hall—the girls' dormitory.

The cause of the blaze is still unknown. The building which is still partially standing, has received great structural damage making it unsafe for investigators to venture inside. The Seattle Times reported that students and members of the staff were being interviewed earlier this week to try and provide some clues as to how the blaze was started.

All occupants of the building escaped without injury. According to the Seattle Times, Nelson hall was valued at \$3.2 million and the contents of the building were worth an estimated \$300,000.

Auburn Academy has dismissed students early for thanksgiving break and plans to have temporary housing completed by the time classes resume.

According to the King County Journal, the local Muckleshoot Casino has offered to donate \$15,000 to help in the reconstruction of the dorm.

The journal also reports that a relief fund has been established at Columbia Bank for those interested in helping.

A special offering will be collected Friday night at Southern's vespers for students who would like to donate in helping rebuild the dorm.



File photo from Auburn, Tenn. Photo from auburn.org
Adventist Academy



Photo by Jacqui Seeley

Sherrie Norton (right) interacts with the students at the Missions Expo

SM 'Mother' Retires

Jill Hardesty
Guest Contributor

After 15 years of dedicated service as the director of Student Mission's at Southern, Sherrie Norton has announced that she will be retiring in December.

Norton has touched the lives of many students by encouraging them to take a year out of school and serve as a student missionary or taskforce worker. Norton says that her greatest passions in life have been working with students and being involved in missions. She says, "My desire is to draw students closer to Christ and help them along life's way."

Students will remember her most for

the personal, caring attention she gave to each one. Students never get turned away from the office if they come with questions about being a student missionary. No matter how busy she is, she will stop everything to talk with them.

Jondelle McGhee, who currently serves as the assistant chaplain for Southern, says that Norton has greatly impacted her life. "The first time I met her she already knew my name. She was the first adult on campus to really take an interest in me personally, and that's something I will always remember."

When Norton started as the Student Missions director there were only about 17 students who went out as student

missionaries. This year there are 83 student missionaries. Two years ago, there was an all-time high of 123, and on average Southern is now sending out more student missionaries than any other Adventist college. This dramatic increase reflects the dedication Norton has put into her job. She has worked with God-given zeal and has developed the Student Missions program into what it is today.

Not only does she encourage all students to go, but she also makes it easier for them. She helps them do all the paperwork involved and helps raise the needed funds. She also facilitates a

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Sandy Queen will speak for The Employee Wellness Program this weekend. See more on page 3.

The fact that no one understands you doesn't make you an artist.
—Unknown



Photo by Sheryl Seelye

Sarah Reeves enters a new security door at the gym entrance.

New gym security measures

MICHAEL YOUNKIN
STAFF WRITER

When entering Iles PE center, students now face the new security measures that were recently installed to help keep the gym open without allowing community members in.

The new doors have given rise to much controversy surrounding the doors.

"I don't like the new doors in the gym because they are a nuisance for the desk worker to swipe peoples' cards as they enter and annoying for the people going in, especially for those working in the gym," said Nathan Briner, junior sports studies major.

"How big of a problem is it for unauthorized people getting into the gym? The doors may be a good thing to keep those peo-

ple out but it is really necessary," said Briner.

Not only is there a set of doors next to the office, but there is also a set next to the women's locker room.

"I understand the idea of the doors, to make sure the gym is used only by Southern students. But it makes using the gym such a hassle. The students do not want to be bothered with a 'security check'. They just want to be able to come in and hang out. I just think the doors are a little unnecessary," said Brandi Hornbeck, sophomore social science major.

Students: whether you are headed to the gym to work out or chill out, remember to take your ID card with you so you can enjoy everything the gym has to offer.

HEIDI TOMPKINS
STAFF WRITER

Religion dean Ron Clouzet has declined an offer to become the new director/speaker for Faith for Today.

"My heart said, 'I would like to do that,' but my mind said no," Clouzet said.

He was asked in mid-September to be the speaker. After visiting the Faith for Today studio in southern California and considering the offer, Clouzet made his decision in October.

Faith for Today is an Adventist television outreach ministry that began in 1950. Its format features two 30-minute weekly programs. "Lifestyle Magazine" focuses on daily life issues. "The Evidence," according to Curt Dolinsky, Faith for Today manager, explores questions like, "Is there a God?" and "Does He care?"

Clouzet cites personal reasons for declining. "I was wrestling with family life," he said. "We have three teenagers." The family would have had to move by Christmas, he said, or he would have had to commute across the country for several months.

However, declining the offer meant giving up a dream.

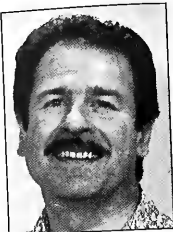


Photo contributed

Dr. Ron Clouzet

"I would have modified 'The Evidence' slightly to have a little more evangelistic bite," Clouzet said. He also wanted to create a new program called "Answers." Another idea was to broadcast live preaching.

But his biggest dream would take even more effort. "I would have been interested in creating a film company to produce film with a concept of the great controversy between good and evil, but of high quality."

"In fact," he said, "my proposal was to move Faith for Today here [Southern] because here on campus we have two key departments that would've really made a difference." He said many students and faculty in the Visual Arts and Design

and Journalism and Communication schools were to minister through their talents.

While remaining Southern, Clouzet would have expanded the School of Religion's activities in the community, in evangelism and online courses. He also wanted to do more with religious education.

Clouzet moved to Southern eleven years ago. He had been a pastor in northern California for twelve years.

"I believe the Lord providentially led him to continue his effective leadership on the campus," said Phillip Samuels, professor of religion. President Gordon Bletz also appreciated the active work he has done here.

In recognition of his contributions, Clouzet received a standing ovation at the October 27 board meeting.

Faith for Today is currently running episodes and broadcasting from back episodes.

Dwight Nelson, the new recent director/speaker for Faith for Today, left to devote his time to pastoring his church, manager Dolinsky said.

Dolinsky hopes a new speaker will be found "as well as possible."

Mother Retires

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class that prepares students to work as student missionaries and teaches them how to deal with living in another culture.

Emily Flottman served as a student missionary in 2001-2002 and now works in the Campus Ministries Office. "When students come to the office, she inspires them to go wherever God is leading. At the same time, she is also very honest and real about what it will be like and prepares them for the challenges they will face."

Stratton Tingle, another former student missionary, confirmed that Norton helped bring him back to reality and prepared him for life in the mission field. "She had a way of giving confidence to those who were worried about going out, and for people like me, who were blinded by the excitement of going far away, she brought us back to reality and prepared us to meet the struggles we would face." Tingle was also impressed by the way Norton continued her support while he was out in the mission field.

"She always kept in contact with us, and it was such an encouragement knowing that she was supporting me and I could call her anytime I was in need."

Norton's ministry to students does not stop when they return from the mission field. She remembers students' names and where they went years ago. She is active in supporting students who may experience reverse culture shock and is always quick with a word of encouragement. Upon returning from her year as a student missionary, Jenny Harlow said, "I was discouraged and worried about the mission I had to leave behind. Sherrie was a great encouragement to me at that time. She reminded me that I was really in control of the mission."

Pastor Ken Rogers has worked with Norton for 14 years. "She trained me in that first year," he says. "Her consistent Christian attitude and temperament has made her wonderful to work with. She goes the extra mile and always puts other people's needs before her own."

After her official retirement in December, Norton will train a replacement until May. Her job has become very involved over

the years and it will take a great amount of time for someone new to learn to take over her job. Norton says that she will continue to support the Student Missions Club and be involved in its activities even after retirement.

Norton says that it will be difficult for her to give up her job because of the wonderful experiences she has had during the years. During retirement, she says, "I plan to take more time to just enjoy my grandchildren and get into scrapbooking." My husband and I would like to go on short-term missions trips with Maramba and ADRA."

Norton will be greatly missed at Southern, especially by all the students she has touched with her warm and caring attitude. Rogers reiterates the thought many have, "I'm confident that we will miss her, but certain places will not replace her."

Sherrie Norton will know the extent of the impact she has made for Christ, the encouragement and enabling of hundreds of students to serve all over the world, she helped bring the message of loving God to thousands.

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Modern Languages to move to Miller Hall

SHARON RHO
STAFF WRITER

The School of Modern Languages expects to take over Miller Hall after the School of Religion finishes its hasty move to Hackman Hall by second semester.

"We are doing a lot of prayer for things to happen on time," said Dr. Parra, chair of Modern Languages. "It's a needed move."

The senior vice president of Academic Administration met with the chairs of the English, History and Modern Language departments, and it was concluded that a mandatory move was needed due to the expansion of incoming professors.

Three new teachers are to join the School of Business and Management while a new Spanish teacher joins the Modern Language team.

The two rooms upstairs will be used as classrooms. "The downstairs facilities of Miller Hall will be used as offices for professors and French and

German adjunct teachers. Tutors and readers will also have available work space. There are plans of a possible language lab to come in the future.

Dr. Van Grit, a professor of Modern Languages, is wistful yet excited about moving out of Brock Hall. "I am looking forward to moving, hopefully to a bigger office," he said.

The Miller Hall chapel will remain, yet mild renovations may take place in order for it to be used as a multipurpose room.

"[The chapel] will not be destroyed," said Dr. Bietz, Southern's president. "It will be used as a large classroom and for other activities."

Bietz was one of the key individuals who did not want the chapel to be completely transformed due to its significance and sentimental value.

Final details and issues are still being contemplated in committee meetings as the fall semester draws to a close.

Laugh, have fun, be well

JENNIFER PAGE
STAFF WRITER

The Employee Wellness Program has invited internationally known wellness speaker Sandy Queen to speak on Southern's campus Nov. 20-22. Queen will be presenting several seminars, including one based

on her motto "Lighten Up, It's the Only Life You Have."

Queen is well known for incorporating humor into her presentations. She says people tend to get so serious that they cease to laugh and have fun, citing one reason she uses a humorous slant.

Phil Garver, dean of physical education, health and wellness, is excited about Queen's visit.

"[She] offers a practical and humorous approach to life's journey," said Garver. Bringing someone in from the outside offers a refreshing and new view, said Garver.

The Employee Wellness Program has partnered with the Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church and Collegedale Academy to make Queen's visit possible. Queen will also present an assembly program at the academy.

The seminars are aimed at employees, but students are welcome to attend. Garver said students will probably enjoy and benefit the most from the Thursday evening and Friday morning meetings.

Queen has previously spoken for convocation at Southern. All events are open to the public and admission is free.

Sandy Queen Seminar Schedule

Thursday, Nov. 20, Banquet Room
Topic: "Healthy Pleasures"
Time: 11:30-12:10, 12:20-1:00

Thursday, Nov. 20, Ackerman Auditorium
Topic: "Lighten Up, It's the Only Life You Have"
Time: 7:00pm

Friday, Nov. 21, Ackerman Auditorium
Topic: "Women's Issues"
Time: 9:00-11:00am

Sabbath, Nov. 22, Collegedale SDA Church
Topic: "Parenting"
Time: 3:00-5:00pm

Diversity at Southern

JESSICA RIVERA
STAFF WRITER

As Diversity Week comes to a close at Southern Adventist University, students may wonder just how diverse we are.

"I enjoy the diversity of different cultures and nationalities here at Southern. I enjoy the variety it brings to my lifestyle by hanging out with people from different cultures," said Autumn Saxton, sophomore Graphic design major. "Knowing people of different ethnicities really broadens my horizons. I don't really think of people as Asian or Hispanic. I think of each person as a new opportunity to learn something more about where they came from."

Of the percentage of undergraduate students enrolled at Southern this year, 73 percent are Caucasian, 11 percent Hispanic, 10 percent Black, 5.7 percent Asian, and .3 percent American Indian. Even though the majority of the students on campus are Caucasian, Garnell Rahming, a freshman nursing major from the Bahamas, said, "I don't feel out of place; I'm comfortable."

David Gordon, a Jamaican, senior marketing major agrees with Rahming: "I don't think of it as, 'I'm a minority.' I just feel like everyone else."

Some students even express that being a minority helps them make friends more easily. "It's a

nice conversation starter," said Yuki Higashide, a sophomore elementary education major from Japan.

April Reyes, a freshman nursing major from the Philippines, said people at Southern seem to be interested in her culture.

On a whole, minority growth at Southern has increased since last year. The Black population has increased the most since 2002 at 1.6%, while Hispanics have increased by .2% and Asians by .4%. The only ethnic group that has suffered a percentage loss is the American Indians, with a .3% decrease in students enrolled.

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Limited convocation seating leaves students disheartened

DON CANTRELL
STAFF WRITER

Limited seating at Monday night's "Trail of Tears" theatrical performance in Ackerman auditorium, frustrated many students' plans to experience the play and receive double convocation credit.

Complaints from those who were turned away centered on the fact that Southern students were not given priority over non-student community residents, but rather admission through tickets was granted on a "first come, first serve" basis.

Bill Wohlers, vice president of Student Services, in an interview with the Accent, said that while it was regrettable that everybody

could not have been granted access, given the nature of the performance, it was unavoidable.

Wohlers explained that although Ackerman is relatively small, the auditorium was chosen both for atmosphere and so as not to disrupt volleyball intramurals going on in the gym. According to students manning the ticket table, tickets ran out the door right up until the beginning of the show. People were only stopped after the performance began.

Addressing students' frustration over admittance issues, Wohlers changed the band concert on Dec 6 from a single to a double credit convocation.

Police cite brothers for underage drinking

DON CANTRELL
STAFF WRITER

Collegedale police charged two students with underage drinking after an ambulance was called to Talge Hall Sunday night.

According to the Collegedale police report, officers arrived on the scene and found Ryan Reynolds, a freshman in business administration, "passed out drunk on the dorm floor."

Ryan was transported to Erlanger Medical Center for evaluation.

Both Ryan and his brother Andrew Reynolds, also a freshman

business administration major, were cited with misdemeanor offenses for underage drinking.

Two female students were involved in the off campus incident, said Dwight Magers, dean of men. All four students face disciplinary action.

Ryan said the group had been drinking at a Chattanooga hotel and arrived back in the dorm sometime before midnight. The police report states that a call was put into emergency services at 11:37 p.m.

"We were drinking Makers Mark," said Ryan. "I don't really

remember much else."

None of the students involved with the incident have been dismissed from classes, but rather will receive help from substance abuse counselors. "Southern is more interested in helping the students fix their problems than being punitive and simply kicking them out," Magers said.

A wide array of services are available through the counseling and testing center for students facing substance abuse problems. Treatment can be sought on or off campus and details are kept confidential from Southern's administration.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

Student aviators here at Southern

TIFFANY TUELL
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

November is aviation month. Aviation is a fascinating realm to enter, and a number of students at Southern have already been drawn to the world of aviation.

Tim Shives is a senior history major and plans to graduate from Southern this December. He has been in the Marine Corp for the past three years and has been in officer training. Shives comes from a military family: his father retired from the military a couple of years ago, and his brother is also in the Marines.

When Tim graduates, he plans to start Marine Aviation Training at Naval Air Station in Pensacola. There are three training areas in the aviation program. They are jet, multi-engine, and helicopter. The determining factors for entering the three programs are grade average, the need of the Marine Corp, class rank, and preference.

Training is long and intensive. The first six weeks consist of aviation indoctrination. The aviation indoctrination training is followed by 22 weeks of primary training. Once primary has been completed, the trainees are sent to one of the three programs.



Tonya Tuell and Rachel Marlin are among many aviation fanatics at Southern.

Tim's goal is to become a F/A 18A Hornet jet pilot.

Intermediate jet training is 23 weeks, followed by 21 weeks of advanced jet training. Once advanced training is completed, the aviator will finally earn his wings of gold. Jet training, also called strike training, lasts a total of about 75 weeks, during which the student aviators accumulate 260 hours of flight training plus 140 hours of simulator training.

Tim plans on staying in the military and being a Marine pilot for about 20 years.

Rachel Marlin, a freshman business major at Southern,

is currently taking flight lessons. She considers her father and her childhood travels to be important influences on her decision to take aviation. When she decided to take flight training, she did meet some opposition. Rather than let it discourage her, however, she became even more determined to reach for her dream. "I like being in control, and I like the feeling of accomplishment that I get when I am flying," Rachel said. Her goal is to become a commercial airline pilot. Because airlines try to hire minorities, the outlook for female pilots is good.

Rachel will get her private

pilot's license this coming December or January. She plans on eventually going to MTSU to complete her flight training.

Tonya Tuell is a senior wellness management major at Southern and will graduate in May. She began college as an education major, but decided that was not her calling in life. She decided that she would rather become a pilot. "It's a lot more fun and more adventures than sitting behind a desk your whole life," Tonya said.

Tuella's father played a key role in her love for flying. An aviation enthusiast, he talked to her about airplanes while she was growing up and took the family to air shows frequently.

Tonya decided to leave college and go home to get her pilot's license. She obtained her private pilot's license in 1999. She would have continued with her training, but the expense has forced her to put her dream of flying on hold for a while. She plans to continue with her flight training once she has a career and can afford to finish her training. She hopes to get her commercial license, which would enable her to fly planes for skydivers, tours, and gliders. "When you are up in the

sky, you feel as though you have left the problems of the world behind," said Tonya.

Josh Galbraith is a student at Southern and will be graduating with a business degree in 2004. He has almost earned his commercial pilot's license. He is from the Collegedale area and has also taken all his training in the area. He will be a flight instructor by the summer of 2004.

Josh's grandfather had a big impact on his desire to become a pilot. When Josh was 8 years old, his grandfather took him flying. After his first flight, he decided he never wanted to fly in a plane again. He absolutely hated it. "You either love it [flying], or you hate it," Josh said. After much encouragement he was persuaded to try flying at least one more time. After that second flight, Josh changed his mind about flying. His heart was won over to the fascinating world of aviation. He decided at age 8 that he wanted to become a pilot.

"It may be raining on the world, but when you're up in the sky you leave that all behind," said Josh. "It is the greatest experience you can have. It gives you one of the highest highs that you can ever experience."

Stay in shape this winter

RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

It is not too cold to get out and exercise, according to Phil Garver, dean of the School of Physical Education, Health and Wellness. "Our winters are mild enough down here...that it's easier to stay active here than other places," Garver said.

Tennessee rarely gets cold enough to be dangerous for people to exercise outdoors, he said. People should take some precautions to protect themselves from injury and sickness, though.

"Use some common sense," Garver said. "It's not life or death to miss a day [of exercise]."

Garver pointed out that dressing appropriately for the weather could make exercise

safer and more enjoyable. He suggested that people exercising in cold weather might want to spend a little longer warming up and cooling off.

Staying hydrated is especially important in cold weather, according to IntelliHealth.com.

People who stay inside during the winter months run the risk of gaining extra weight and getting sick more often, Garver said. One of the most dangerous things about quitting an exercise program during the winter is getting out of the habit of exercising.

"If we get out of the habit, it might be harder to get back going in the spring," Garver said.

Garver said he typically tells people, "You only need to exercise the days that you eat."

However, he said most health experts recommend exercising five days a week for 30-40 minutes. "This exercise doesn't have to be all at once," Garver said; 10 or 20 minutes at a time is enough to be beneficial.

And people do reap the benefits of exercising, from better cardiovascular health and a lowered chance of obesity to feeling better about themselves, said Robert Benge, associate professor for the School of Physical Education, Health and Wellness.

Garver pointed out that some of the most common forms of exercise—walking, running and cycling, for example—are year-round activities. The track, tennis courts and gym stay open throughout the winter, he added.

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For complete details see the Chatter announcement in the Chatter on page 11.

Celebrating a century of flight

RACHEL MARLIN
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

After looking left, then right to make sure my airspace is clear, I carefully ease out onto the runway. I push the throttle in and gradually take off. My plane clears the trees below me and rapidly climbs to my cruising altitude of 2,000 ft MSL. I look out at the surrounding area and wonder about the invention of flight.

Today flying is easy. One does not have to worry about getting the airplane off the ground and staying airborne like the Wright brothers did in 1903. Today things are much easier with automatic propellers, retractable flaps, global positioning devices, and automated weather services.

On December 17, 1903 at 10:35 AM in Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, the Wright brothers from Dayton, Ohio completed the first sustained powered flight. The flight led to a century of transportation improvements that changed the world forever. This year marks the 100th anniversary of the Wright Brothers' flight and it completes the first century of aviation.

This December 12 through 17

the National Park Service, state of North Carolina, First Flight Centennial Foundation, and North Carolina's Outer Banks are sponsoring the First Flight Centennial Celebration in Kitty Hawk, North Carolina to honor and inspire aviation across the skies. This event will feature special programs, exhibits, shows, and festivals to broaden awareness of the challenges and accomplishments in flight over the years.

Daily themes include Igniting the Imagination, Remembering the Past, Imagine the future, Protecting the Home of the Brave (Military aviation), and 12 Seconds that Changed the World (The Wright Brothers' first heavier-than-air powered flight lasted 12 minutes, traveling a total of 120 feet). A full-scale reproduction of the 1903 Wright airplane will be donated by Harry B. Combs to the National Park Service. Also included is a 100 fly plane flyby featuring retired Brigadier General Chuck Yeager and other pilots dressed according to the era.

Individual one-day tickets are \$10 per day and are available until the 35,000 ticket limit has been reached each day. Tickets are currently available online.

Toby Mac plays Fathom

TIFFANY TUELL
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Toby Mac will be at Club Fathom Saturday, December 6. The concert will be a part of his Momentum Remixed tour.

Toby Mac's album Momentum was a big hit. The members of the multi-platinum band DC Talk, of which Toby Mac was part of, decided to go single for a while. "When you've spent over a dozen years as one band on an entity, then part of you starts to wonder how much of what the band does is really you," said Toby Mac. The band wants to relay to the world what their own personal vision consists of.

At first, Toby Mac did not even know if he wanted to make a solo album. He and his wife decided to get down on their knees and give the matter over to God. They finally realized that God was leading him to do another record. He prayed that God would give him the words and the songs that he wanted him to produce. After that prayer, Toby Mac had dozens of ideas flowing through his mind.

my new solo artistry is looking at a new beginning," said Toby Mac.

Toby Mac's new album is a twist of rock, hip-hop, and rap. He said it has been quite a transition to make an album all by himself. It was a lot easier to make an album as dc talk. He is used to the music coming from three voices and not single-handedly producing every aspect of the song solely from himself.

Toby Mac's song "Extreme Days" topped the charts for 10 weeks. In 2002 at the Dove Award, Toby Mac received five awards.

"Hopefully my songs are about my life. Faith is a big part of my life. I'm here in the midst of this world, but my perspective, my outlook, is different because of my faith. So if I put all that together, you have a record that anyone should relate to," said Toby Mac.

Be at Club Fathom on Saturday, December 6 and you can hear Toby Mac live performing his remixed solo album. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. For more information visit www.tobymac.com.

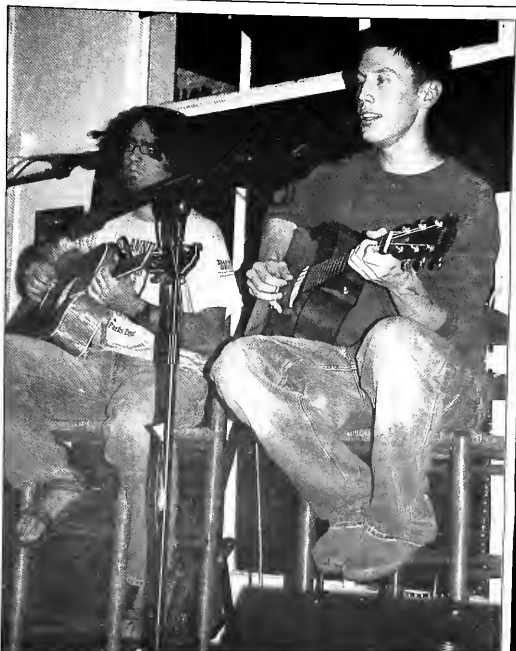


Photo by Angela Carver

Round3 founder Ivan Colon and band-mate Aaron Roche perform at Bluer Music Thursday evening

Round3 opens at Bluer Music

MELISSA TURNER
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Southern students and community members alike packed into Bluer Music Thursday evening, November 13 for a night of live music.

Two of the founding members of Southern group Round3, Ivan Colon and Aaron Roche, opened the evening with an hour filled with a mix of Christian music along with some secular songs and covers of popular music and an impromptu cameo by Kelli Gauthier singing a duet with Colon on a song they co-wrote.

Round3 just got together this semester. The full group currently includes Colon, guitar, Roche, guitar; and Ricky Trumper, drums.

"We're starting out slow, but we're going to build up our sound."

a bass and maybe a keyboard too," says Colon, a junior biomedical major.

Most of the songs Round3 performed were written by group members Ivan Colon or Aaron Roche.

"I get my inspiration for my songs from nature and relationships," says Roche, a freshman theology major. Colon says many of the songs he writes are prayers, but he also looks to relationships for inspiration.

The inspiration from relationships came out most of all when Roche performed a blues song he wrote "about girls." But mostly, the evening was filled with praises being sent up to God.

"I definitely see this as a witnessing tool," Roche said of the evening's performance. "I want to integrate it into my

Round3 is just getting started as a group, but they hope to do some more concerts and perhaps even some touring later on this school year.

"We hope to go up to Union College later this year and perhaps even go to Maryland, which is where I'm from," says Colon.

Round3's Thursday evening gig took place at a local guitar shop called Bluer Music, located on Ooltewah-Ringgold Road in Ooltewah, Tenn.

Bluer Music has hosted other such events earlier this year, giving local artists and groups an open mic to showcase their talents.

Bluer Music will be hosting another evening of live music as a charity event on December 4 to benefit the Samaritan Center. More information about that event will be

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT RELIGION

Peru is changing my outlook on life:

a letter from a Student Missionary

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Dear friends,
Sitting here in an internet cafe in Pucallpa, I'm still having a hard time believing it's possible to communicate with each of you in the states. I wanted to share some of my reflections on life. Such a simple word with profound meaning—to have this experience of student missions in Peru is definitely changing my outlook on life and how I view my world. When I committed myself for 9.5 months here, I honestly had no idea what I was getting into. Of course I had my ideas of what life would be like, what I would do, et cetera, but in reality things here are rarely what I expect! I've learned to expect the unexpected and even enjoy the constant inconsistency of scheduling here. The more I learn to communicate in Spanish and get to know the people here, I realize that they are all very much people. It really strikes me to see the disparity of riches here. The same thing (disparity) is present in the US, but here the difference is much more profound. Thinking back to my first week here in Pucallpa before I went out to the jungle towns to work, I remember classifying it as incredibly third world dish. After living in tiny little river towns for 2 months and returning to the same city, all I could say was "It's so modern here!" Out on the river most people simply survive. They eat fish from the river when they catch them and whatever else they grow in their jungle farm. Usually that is platanos, bananas, papaya, or coconuts. They then trade for whatever else they want when launches pass by on the river between the two main river ports (Pucallpa

and Iquitos). To build a house they cut trees for boards and palm fronds for roofing. If they're lucky they'll be able to find a magazine, which they carefully separate into individual pages to paper their walls. That's class! Transportation is a canoe (usually paddling) or walking. Bathe in the river; wear the same 2 outfits everyday. Things as we know them at home that clutter up a house just aren't needed out on the river where people work to live. Everyone has a machete—the



Jenni holds onto her hat.

all-purpose tool! One pair of flip-flops and a pair of rubber boots for the rainy season do nicely. They don't need the pair of shoes for every outfit and dress shoes for each dress as well. I'm learning to be happy with what I need instead of what I want, a hard lesson to learn after living in the United States! For a man with a good job out on the river (perhaps doing a good 10 hours of tough manual labor), he might earn about 10 soles, an equivalent of just under \$3.00! It's really a whole different view on life. The disparity between poverty and riches surprised me a bit. At home a rich person doesn't need anything and a poor one still lives fine. Most people who can't live up to the standard they'd like still live comfortably with plenty of things and most of all, never go hungry. I'm not blind to the fact

that there are starving people in the states, but it's just not as obvious as it is here! Out on the river a rich person would be considered dirt poor according to our standards at home, and the very poor are literally struggling to find the next meal, for real. To see children with clinical signs of malnutrition or bellies bulging with parasites is commonplace. Everyone works so hard—even the kids are little iron men and women and can do things that some American guys would struggle with! When rugged work is your lifestyle, you build solid muscles from the start! Anyhow, in short, I've absolutely fallen in love with life here. I love the people—you can't help but love those who open their arms to you and just pull you in! They're so willing to give and share, even when they have hardly anything. It's constantly a lesson to me that I'm really the student here. I'm convinced that God sends student missionaries out to learn big life lessons. I'm sure I've learned more from the people here than I will ever be able to teach in return! Guess that's why they call us student missionaries as we're still learning! It's definitely changing and shaping my life and when these few months are over it will be just as hard to leave here as it was when I boarded the plane leaving home.

May God bless each of you and keep you safe until we can meet again.

Jenni

Jenni Goodwin and her two sisters, Heather and Michelle, are student missionaries in Peru. Southern has over 80 student missionaries and task force workers stationed at numerous posts around the world and across the United States.

Christmas P on the Promenade



December 2, 2003

7:00p

Hosted on the campus of
Southern Adventist University.
Performances by CA Bell Choir,
CA Band, SAU Jazz Ensemble,
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Refreshments will be served.

Church Schedule

Compiled by Sean Reed

Church	Speaker	Sermon Title	Worship Time
Chattanooga First Church	Fred R. Fuller	To be announced	9:45 and 11:00 AM
Collegedale Church	To be announced	Celebration of Thanks	9:00 and 11:30 AM
Collegedale Korean Youth Church	To be announced	To be announced	11:00 AM
Collegedale Spanish-American Church	Manuel V. Mendizabal	Life with a Purpose	9:00 – 11:45
Hamilton Community Church	Mark Bresee	Journeys Unlimited: The Ticket	11:30 AM
McDonald Road Church	Paul Carlson	To Know God is to Thank Him	8:50 and 11:25 AM
The Third	Mike Fulbright	To be announced	10:00 AM

Music and the Christian

MATTHEW LUCIO
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

One of the greatest difficulties ever set before Christianity in the modern age is the issue of music. Is secular music acceptable to God? Is all Christian music good? Does God even care what we listen to anyway? To answer the latter question, there are myriads of texts littered across the Bible to suggest that God is madly in love with us, and that He wants to be a part of our whole lives. Texts such as II Corinthians 10:5 show that God desires us to bring "every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ." Music, like television and movies, is a huge influencing factor in our lives. Would not God then care about our music as much as He cares about the other things that influence us?

When Lucifer was in heaven contemplating his rebellion, there was a time when the music of the angels persuaded him to momentarily drop his claims and submit to God (see Patriarchs and Prophets pp. 36, 37). As a consequence, he learned the power of music over the mind. We now have the most gifted angelic musician running loose across the face of the earth. Is there any wonder that the distinction between good and bad music is so hard to ascertain?

Aristotle wrote about the potential of music: "Music has the power to form character. The manner of its arrangement being so important that the various modes may be distinguished by their effects on character" (Aristotle, Politics, 839 a, b.).

Music that is of God has the ability to shape you into being more like God, and music that is of Satan has the ability to shape you into being more like Satan. With this understanding, one could hardly say that music has a "neutral" effect on a person, that it has neither a good or bad influence. Dr. Max Schoen, in his book *The Psychology of the Mind*, writes: "Music is the most powerful stimulus known among the perceptive senses. . . . medical, psychiatric and other evidences for non-neutrality of music is so overwhelming that it frankly demands that anyone should seriously say otherwise" (p. 39).

So how do we determine what is good music and what

is bad music? First, by understanding that secular (secular: worldly rather than spiritual, according to dictionary.com) music is not designed to lead you closer to God. Because of this, secular music should only be listened to if you would be "worldly rather than spiritual." Ed Christian, editor of the *Journal of the Adventist Theological Society (JATS)* and author of *Joyful Noise*, draws a line of distinction between normal secular music and certain forms of secular music, such as instrumental and classical. "What neither strengthens nor weakens that relationship [with God] may be tolerated within measure, but is suspect" (JATS, vol. 13, issue 1, p. 191). Basically, he says forms of music such as certain operas, musicals, classical pieces, et cetera, are fine in moderation.

Secondly, we must understand that "music was made to serve a holy purpose, to lift the thoughts to that which is pure, noble, and elevating, and to awaken in the soul devotion and gratitude to God" (Patriarchs and Prophets, p. 594). Christian music especially must be judged on the basis of whether it leads the mind to Christ without compromising with the sounds or lyrics of the world. The simple feeling of bliss that much Christian music promotes does not necessarily equal spiritual growth. The Christian wanting to listen to God approved music must take this principle and by it judge all music.

Therefore the question we all must ask ourselves is this: How willing are we to trust our music to a God who is the greatest composer ever to exist, a Being who created music so that our thoughts could ascend to where He lives? How willing are we?

Editor's Note: Music and the principles of quality music is a much-debated topic, often quite heatedly. As Christians, we should always seek to improve our understanding of issues that impact our spiritual growth and our lives in general. The above article was written in the spirit of Christian concern and in a desire to contribute to a healthy, productive discussion of the importance and effect of music. Your thoughts and comments on the above article and the topic of Christian music are welcome.

Harvesting the world, answering our own prayers

CHRISLYN CLAYVILLE
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Most of us are not too involved in planting, tending, and harvesting these days. Often we do not even give a second thought about where our food comes from. We just eat and enjoy! In some places, there is another story. Take Nepal for example. Day by day, season by season, village people toil away in their fields, planting and harvesting rice, wheat, and potatoes in an endless cycle just to survive. The Nepali people are a wonderful example of what Jesus is asking us to do. We are to be villagers working our fields (the world).

Throughout the Bible, Jesus talks about harvest time. "He who goes out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with him" (Psalm 126:6, NIV).

"Another angel will come out of the temple and call in a loud voice to him who is sitting on the cloud, 'Take your sickle and reap, because the time to reap has come, for the harvest of the earth is ripe'" (Revelation 14:13).

"Swing the sickle, for the harvest is ripe" (Joel 3:13).

"My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more and then the harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. Even now the reaper draws his wages, even now he harvests the

crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together" (John 4:34-37).

"He who gathers in summer is a wise son, but he who sleeps in harvest is a son who causes shame" (Proverbs 10:5).

So what are we going to do about this time of reaping? How tragic it would be if after harvest, people cry out saying, "The harvest is past, the summer has ended, and we are not saved!" (Jeremiah 8:20)

Folks, "the harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few" (Matthew 9:37; Luke 10:2). Our

primary task is to "ask the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest field" (Luke 10:2; Matthew 9:37, 38). We need to begin some serious praying for more laborers. And then, if the Lord taps us on the shoulder and invites us out into the field to work alongside Him, we need to be willing to be the answer to our own prayers.

One day when the harvest is past and summer is ended, we can all gather together for the greatest Thanksgiving dinner celebration of all eternity!



Photo by Rachel Day
John Rengifo has his arms full while reading to FLAG Camp participants on Sabbath

A modern day parable

MIS SERVANT
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Once upon a time there was a shepherd who had a great many sheep. So many, in fact, that he hired some men to help him look after them. He taught these men where the best places to graze were, where the best water was, how to bind the sheep's wounds, and the dangers to be watchful of. And he told them that if they ever needed help to send for him and he would come immediately.

At first, the men cared well for the sheep and did everything the shepherd had told them to do. But over time things changed. They called on the shepherd less and less, preferring to handle things their own way. They began to care less and less for the sheep and more and more for themselves. The sheep began to forage on their own and some-

out being guided to the good fields. The sick and injured were dying without proper care. Many of the sheep were lost or stolen without someone watching over them.

Finally, the shepherd came personally to gather his sheep. Since his previous helpers would not listen to him or do as he told them, he hired new helpers. To these men he said, "You will not be like the others, who forget my sheep and care only for themselves. I will teach you to be shepherds just like me. I will teach you everything you need to know, so that the sheep will be cared for as if I myself were tending each one of them personally."

And so he did. By word and by example he taught them what it means to be a shepherd. They were not perfect, being new shepherds, but as long as they followed their master's exam-

pled the sheep as much as he did. Together they gathered the sheep, fed and watered them, cared for their wounds, and kept them safe.

Then one day the master shepherd called his men together. "I must go away," he said, "and I may be away for a very long time. Remember my example, and as you need them, train more shepherds to help you. I promise you that I will come back someday. Continue to gather and care for the sheep. When I return, I will greatly reward all those who have been faithful to me and my word."

And so they did as he said. As they were needed, new shepherds were trained, and there remains to this day an unbroken line of shepherds gathering the sheep, leading them to green pastures and clear waters, tending the sick and wounded, and waiting for the Great Shepherd.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT

OPINION

Please spare us your affection

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You all know the story. Guy meets girl. Girl meets guy. Guy and girl hit it off well. Guy likes girl. Guy asks girl out. Girl is thrilled, although of course she doesn't let the guy know that. Wouldn't want to make things easy for him. The first date is wonderful. And so is the next, and the next. And next thing we know, Guy and Girl are a happy couple, doing things together, having deep, intimate conversations, and spending their every spare moment, wherever they might be at the time, cuddling like little girls do with their stuffed animals.

It's pretty much a great story - or at least I think it is, considering that I just wrote it, although I wouldn't really know, not having had much experience in the area. It sounded good anyway, until we got to that cuddling stuff. Now showing affection through touch is a natural, positive part of any good relationship. But there's a right place and a wrong place for it. Practically sitting in each other's lap in church during convocation, paying way more attention to the partner than the program; cuddling in the middle of a crowded cafeteria or in a school van on the way to a social function - those

simply aren't the right times or places. You can probably think of many other such inappropriate places where you've seen (or perhaps even done) it. In fact, there are many of us who find it not just inappropriate, but downright annoying. You could just call my words the ranting of some jealous single guy, except that I've run into quite a few people in fine, affectionate relationships who totally agree.

Our school has rules, albeit poorly-enforced ones, relating to such "public displays of affection." A lot of students seem to feel that these are the vestiges of an archaic, ultra-conservative past. But actually, these rules weren't just designed to make Victorian Age administrators happy. It's about courtesy. There are a lot of us who just don't care to watch couples loving on each other in public, whether or not we have boyfriends or girl-friends ourselves. So if you and your significant other want to cuddle - and certainly all couples should at times - make it private. You can have just as much fun and show just as much love alone or with a few friends as you can with people all around; probably a lot more. Not only that, but those around you will appreciate it. Take my word for it; we will.

JUSTIN KOBYLKA
Opinion Editor

Freedom may come at great price for many young soldiers in Iraq but the news media are only telling half the story. As a Mass Communications major I know.

The news media are built around one very narrow question - what is different in the world today?

On the morning after Baghdad fell to coalition forces, the new thing was the singing in the streets and the general excitement of victory among the people and also among the soldiers who had fought to that point. Because that was news then and is still largely

unchanged, it cannot be news today. (You see, it isn't "new" anymore.)

Instead we are learning of the things that are changing. More soldiers are dying and there are a greater number of guerrilla attacks and homicide bombings.

What every TV viewer must understand is that news broadcasts only offer a small window on the world; they often only tell what has changed. This is completely understandable because that's the only thing interesting to the viewer who watches on a daily basis.

But not understanding this can be misleading. Such as those who have come to believe

that there is nothing but utter chaos in Iraq, instead of the truth. The security and stability of the nation has improved dramatically since the fall of Saddam. Schools are reopening, Iraqis are policing themselves and tortuous form of government have been abolishing. Freedom is beginning to reign.

This of course should not detract from the gravity of the situation there, because it is far from good. But doing the right thing never becomes wrong just because it gets difficult. So watch the news with a keen eye and try to see the whole picture.

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Open your heart
and your wallet.

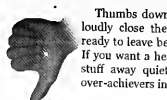
This Friday night at vespers there will be a special offering for the girls' dorm at Auburn Academy. Please come prepared to help those in tragedy.

Thumbs UP, Thumbs DOWN...

Thumbs up to new Talge Hall construction. It's awesome to see constant progress over there and it hasn't been an inconvenience at all. Thanks for making it quick and painless.



Thumbs down to KR's state of disrepair. I hope that other students will catch on to this and encourage Southern to renovate, much like the student center. Here's an idea, expand KR's to include the little room with the ping pong table



Thumbs down to students who loudly close their books and get ready to leave before class is over. If you want a head start, put your stuff away quietly for all of the over-achievers in the class.

Thumbs down to no mustard or pepper in the cafeteria. This may have been rehearsed a million times but really, this is racism against food. How can fudge bars, ice cream, milk and cheese be ok, but mustard isn't even an option.



Giant thumbs down to Southern planning a really cool double convocation and letting us know about it months ahead of time, when in fact there were only tickets for 250 people and many Southern students were turned away.

—Contributed by Kristen Meyer

Thumbs up to RAs are cheerful day in and out and give their full attention to their guys (and girls). We don't pay you guys enough, keep up the good work.



The overuse of television

ANDREW LAPIERRE
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

I once knew a boy who would watch TV every chance he got. It didn't matter what was on, or if there was no sound, as long as he could watch his TV. His infatuation was unhealthy, and he was practically addicted. If he didn't get to watch TV, he would get irritable and would need to look at it. Television is affecting people negatively because it tends to separate families, to encourage unrealistic expectations, and to make people unaware of what is happening around them.

Have you ever noticed that more and more families are gathering around the TV to have supper instead of the kitchen table? When the family is in front of the TV, there are no more discussions or talking about how your day went. Most arguments start from what channel is to be watched. The mother wants "Touched by an Angel" the father wants "NBA Finals" while the kids want "Cartoon Network." Families are not as close as they used to be, and the bond is weakening. The effect on family is also related to the way the family members look at the world around them.

Soap Operas for instance give people the impression that all relationships consist of meeting someone, sleeping with them the night you meet them, and then parting the next morning and life goes on until your previous partner finds out that you did that and then the cycle starts all over again.

other person. Many people are getting the wrong impression about the way life really should be and the way God wants our lives to be. A more influential example would be what happened September 11, 2001. Like many people have said, when they saw it on TV they didn't think it was real. Even after they found out that it was real, they didn't really feel like it really happened. I mean, why should we feel that it really happened? We see things like that everyday when we watch an action movie. September 11 is one of the more extreme effects, now on the lighter side; let me clarify what I mean by being unaware of what is happening around us.

How many people can say that they have a family member that is completely immersed in the television when it is on? The main person in my family is my father. He doesn't watch TV that much, but when he does and if he is interested, you have to practically scream at him to get his attention. Even after you get a "huh" you still have to continue to prod him to make sure that he is really paying attention to you. The television has some kind of effect on people that turns them in to zombies to the world.

I believe that TV's are good to have in your house to keep up to date with the news and weather, to spend some family time, and every now and then to watch a good movie. The TV is becoming a much part of everyday life, I'll leave it to you to make a reference.

Be ye encouraged

WIS SERVANT
GUEST COLUMNIST

How many of you came to college this semester wondering if you were going to have enough money to pay for tuition or were worried out of your overloaded mind because you only had enough money for traveling gas and maybe enough small change for a meal? How many of you can relate to being the first in your family to go to college or even to go to an out-of-state school? If so, be ye encouraged!

Jesus says, "With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible" (Mark 10:27).

You are not alone! Even if a few are acting like the journey is easy, this mission is not.

I left my hometown with only gas money and a picnic lunch for a couple of pit stops fearfully and silently quoting over and over to myself every Scripture that the Holy Spirit brought to my mind (I am ever so thankful my parents made me read the Bible and go to church).

While my husband was driving and we were talking about the beauty of the mountains, the Holy Spirit kept reminding me of an awesome Scripture: "Is there anything too hard for the Lord?" (Genesis 18:14). "No Abba.

no," my spirit silently shouted as I looked at the magnificent green trees and high rolling mountains with child-like tears welling in my eyes. Be ye encouraged!

However, whenever my worried mind would stray away from Scripture and focus on what I did not have, Psalm 23:1 would pop up in my mind. I was traveling to Southern on Faith, I only had a place to stay in for a month. Also, my financial aid was going to have to pay the rent. Where I was going to stay for the rest of the summer was a Divine mystery. Jesus Christ told me to go. So, I had no other choice. My choices only got me in trouble.

However, when God Almighty speaks—through the trees, laughter, staying up late at night and crying myself to sleep—I have learned He is faithful and He will come through in a way greater than I could ever imagine. I wonder if this is what Abraham was experienced when God told him to leave his home. Be ye encouraged!

How many of us realize that we have been Divinely chosen when the "gateway of academic opportunity" is presented to us? According to College Enrollment and Work Activity of 2002 High School

Graduates (<http://www.bls.gov/cps/>), between October 2001 and October 2002, about 400,000 persons dropped out of high school. Of these high school dropouts, two-thirds were in the labor force in October 2002. The unemployment rate for this group was 29.8 percent—almost 13 percentage points higher than the unemployment rate for recent non-college attending high school graduates. Be ye encouraged!

As we finish this semester—tired, hungry, digging for change in our car seat for gas money, lonely, brokenhearted, crying or laughing—let us not focus on what we don't have but rather look up, do the best with what we have, and believe Jesus Christ with all of our hearts! Be ye encouraged! Those that we have left behind, and strangers we have yet to meet, may be watching us, not to see us fail but to see us succeed. We never know!

Paul confidently encouraged the church in Philippi with these words: "I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me" (Philippians 4:13). Are you willing to be a lighthouse and encourage, confidently—yet encourages fearfully—lighting sometimes fearfully—the darkened path for others to follow? Be ye encouraged!

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT SPORTS

Intramural sports: blessing or curse?

ETHAN NKANA
Sports Editor

The intramural program here at Southern Adventist University is a blessing and a curse.

"Intramurals is a form of



Photo by Rachel Day

Gina Thurber and Julie Clarke of team Thurbark prepare to return a volley during the 5 on 3 tournament Saturday night

organized recreation for students," said Dr. John Pangman, director of intramurals. Intramural sports provide students with various types of recreation, relaxation and healthy intrascholastic competition.

Each semester, hundreds of students participate in sports ranging from flag football to floor hockey, and thus far volleyball takes the trophy for most student participation with thirty-six teams competing.

There is also an interesting paradox in the statistics; in a survey, 40% of students said basketball was their favorite intramural sport, while only 11% preferred volleyball. Other sports students said they enjoyed were flag football, soccer and softball.

Although intramurals is popular to many, some students believe Southern has a poor intramural program,

"The intramural program at Southern is whack!" said sophomore health, physical education and recreation major, Bradon Palmer.

Some feel intramurals lack a competitive nature, while others feel there is too much competition. "Intramurals divides us. Instead of uniting us, it becomes very competitive, as though you are playing against rivals from another school," said sophomore computer science major, Paul Adeogun.

Intense competition and poor sportsmanship, especially in football and basketball, has caused Dr. Pangman to incorporate a sportsmanship rating system adopted from the National Intramural and Recreational Sports Association.

A rating card is filled out by game officials and it rates the teams' sportsmanship by using numbers ranging from 1

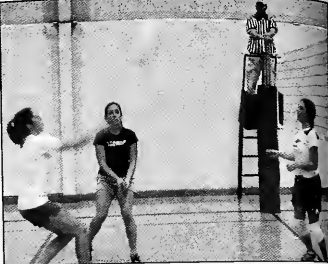


Photo by Melia P.

Teams Thurbark and Madrigue fight for the ball.

(lowest) to 5 (highest). "Teams must have a rating of at least 4 to be in the playoff tournaments," said Pangman.

This system allows teams to remain competitive but provides a deterrent to engage in unsportsmanlike conduct.

Whether you play intramurals or are an avid spectator, intramurals can be of great benefit to you, and if for no other reason at least, "It's better than doing nothing," said freshman accounting major, Ben Zimunya.

Southern Striders run Collegedale 5k

JUELLE JAMES
Assistant Sports Editor

Southern Striders took part in the 5K Race presented by the Kiwanis Club of Collegedale on November 16, 2003. Each contestant paid \$10 to take part in the race. The proceeds were then donated to the Speech and Hearing Center in Chattanooga.

The course was relatively flat

and fast. It had a slight incline extending through Little Debbie Parkway and it started and finished on Apison Pike in front of Winn-Dixie Shopping Center.

The awards for the race were divided into 14 categories. Bryce Martin, President of Southern Striders, finished with a time of 16:12.

"I started out really fast and

almost panicked when I didn't see anyone behind me," said Martin. "Then one guy caught up and passed me, but then I got him halfway through the race."

Other members from the Southern Striders took part in the race.

"Josh Galbraith ran really well and set a personal record in the 5k," said Martin. "He's

shown great improvement all season long. Josh finished second with a time of 16:40.

Jasmine Nolasco was the top in her age category, 20-24.

"Running is just fun for me," said Nolasco. "Running the 5k helps train me to become a marathon runner." Her time was 21:45.

The Southern Striders went 1-

2 overall in placing in the 5k race. They enjoy taking part in the race to help stay fit. They want to invite anyone who is interested to run with them to look for the green shirts joggers through Southern's campus.

Join the Southern Striders for their next showing at the Joag Bell Jog 5k on campus December 7, 2003.

What a great game, eh?

JEFF LAMBERT
Staff Writer

With the NHL season already a month underway, teams are beginning to show glimpses of who will be competing for the Stanley Cup come playoff time.

At the beginning of the year my favorite to win it all was the Atlanta Thrashers, but shortly before the start of the season two of their star players were involved in a serious car accident, leaving one dead and one facing vehicular homicide. Even though Atlanta suffered this tragic loss, I'm rooting for them and still believe that they will make the playoffs.

The team that has emerged

as the powerhouse to beat is the Vancouver Canucks. Their one true scoring punch of Markus Naslund and Tom Bertuzzi should make them this year's Western Conference champions.

The Beast of the East this season is without a doubt the Philadelphia Flyers. They have the best line in the NHL with Jeremy Roenick, Mark Recchi and Tony Amonte crashing and scoring their way through every team they encounter.

Who could forget my sleeper pick for this season??? None other than my hometown Boston Bruins, who going into the season were ranked to finish at the bottom of the league

but have played with determination and good ol' Boston brawling, clawing out the second best record in the NHL right now. Keep your eye on this team, because if they stay healthy they will have a definite shot at overtaking the top teams.

So listen up folks, here are my picks for this year's Stanley Cup contenders. Barring any huge injuries, the Flyers and Canucks will blaze right through every team in the playoffs. Philadelphia has the edge on defense, and I predict they will take the championship in 6 games. See ya next February!

Basketball season in review

ETHAN NKANA
Sports Editor

It's been quite a season thus far, although without more than a handful of surprises. I must admit that I have been quite pleased with LeBron James' performance in the League. When he dropped 25 points and had nine dimes in the season opener, I knew he was the Truth.

LBJ and Carmelo Anthony are going to have a season-long battle for the Rookie of the Year award. Melo's numbers are slightly better as far as points and rebounds are concerned, but LBJ is right on his tail, despite playing five minutes more per game than Melo.

The Orlando Magic (1-10) has a season-high 10-game losing streak. As a result of their per-

formance they gave Head Coach Doc Rivers an early dismissal with Assistant Coach John Davis replacing him. Although believe Rivers is a better coach than his tenure with the Magic would prove, his numbers are less than impressive. For the past five seasons, the Magic have barely broken the .500 mark and bowed out in the first round of the playoffs in each of those years.

I have been disappointed with the Phoenix Suns (4-6) this year. They have one of the most talented teams, yet they are languishing at the bottom of the Pacific Division. It's only a few weeks into the season, so there is more time for teams to turn their act together. I'm not sure Doc Rivers in Q-Town.



the campus Chatter

Week of: November 20-December 11

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20
11:00 am Convocation - Diversity (Iles)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21
5:32 pm Sunset
8:00 pm Vespers-Shawnessey Cargile (Church)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22
9:00 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
10:00 am The Third
10:00 am "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
10:00 am "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)
11:30 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
11:40 am The Third Sabbath School (Upstairs Gospel Chapel in Church)
2:00 pm Chambliss Home
5:30 pm Evensong (Church)
6:45 pm Co-ed Volleyball Tournament (Iles)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24
4:00 pm University Assembly

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25
5:00 pm McKee Library Closes

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26 - THANKSGIVING BREAK (No Classes)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27 - THANKSGIVING BREAK (No Classes)
Offices Closed

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28 - THANKSGIVING BREAK (No Classes)
5:30 pm Sunset

Offices Closed
Payday

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29 - THANKSGIVING BREAK (No Classes)

9:00 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
10:00 am The Third (Ackerman)
11:30 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30 - THANKSGIVING BREAK (No Classes)
5-9:00 pm Concerto Competition Finals (Ackerman)
6-11 pm McKee Library Open

Chaplain's Cookie Contest Begins

MONDAY, DECEMBER 1
3:30 pm Academic Affairs

Senior progress grades for December graduates due and deadline to finish incompletes & home study correspondence

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2
11:00 am Chaplain's Cookie Contest
Deadline
6:00 pm Tornado Siren Test
7:00 pm Christmas Tree Lighting (Outside Brock & Wood Halls)

Basketball Sign-ups

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4
11:00 am Convocation - Student Association: Town Hall Meeting (Iles)
11:00 am Master of Software Engineering Forum (Hickman #115)

Last day to request proctoring of final exam(s), Center for Learning Success

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5
5:29 pm Sunset
8:00 pm Vespers - Campus Ministries (Church)

Withdrawals after today receive "F"
SAU/OC Messiah Performance, Oakwood College

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6
9:00 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
10:00 am The Third
10:00 am "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
10:00 am "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)
11:30 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
11:40 am The Third Sabbath School (Upstairs Gospel Chapel in Church)
5:00 pm Evensong - Festival of Lessons & Carols (Church)
8:00 pm Wind Symphony Christmas Concert (Iles)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7
9:30 am Employee Christmas Brunch (Dining Hall)
6:30-8:30 pm Thatcher Hall Open House (Thatcher)
8:30 pm SA Party (Dining Hall)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 8
3:30 pm University Senate

LSAT Exam, Student Center

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10
7:00 pm SA Senate (White Oak Room)
7:30 pm Biology Expo (Hickman Atrium)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11
11:00 am Convocation - Clubs, Departments/Schools (Various Locations)

Last day to finalize paperwork for proctoring of final exam(s), Center for Learning Success.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This Saturday Night is the Co-ed Volleyball Tournament. Call 2850 for more information. Come and cheer for your friends during this tournament.

CAMPUS MINISTRIES:
Chaplain's Cookie Contest: Bring at least 5 cookies, your name, and the recipe by 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 2, to the Chaplain's office for a chance to win!

The Jingle Bell Jog: is a 5k foot race or 1 mile fun walk that will take place here at

SAU on December 7. All the money raised from the event will be donated to hospice to thank them for their care of our community. Long sleeve T-shirts will be given to every participant and trophies will be awarded. Check the residence hall front desks, the Student Center front desk, or the Chaplain's office for entry forms and more information.

Every drop counts. Blood Assurance will once again have their blood mobile here on December 8th for donations. Please consider taking some time out of your

schedule to change and possibly save a life. Check the residence hall front desks starting December 1 for appointment times.

STUDENT ASSOCIATION:

Operation Christmas Child: Our goal this year is for 600 boxes. Help a child have a great Christmas by packing a shoebox full of toys, school supplies, and hygiene items. Turn in your shoebox by Thursday, November 20, in the SA office or on Sabbath, November 22, at the Third.

For more information, pick up

a brochure at the residence halls or the SA office. If you need a shoebox, contact Nathan Henson at 238-3214 or e-mail nathanh@southern.edu.

WIN \$150!!

The Student Association needs artistic talent to create a logo for the Community Service Day theme, Service 101.

1st place will receive a \$150 and their artwork on over 700 t-shirts.

2nd place will win \$50.

Please base your logo on

tion:
Service 101
Prerequisite: Willingness
4 Hours

A dynamic course focused on beginning a life of service. This course will provide students with practical hands-on experience by demonstrating to the community how Christ served others. Each student will be enriched through their involvement. (Spring '04)

The deadline is Thursday, December 11. Stop by the SA office for more information, call 2723, or email Rachel

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT HOUSING REQUESTS

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Top 10 reasons why Taco Bell is the best restaurant in the world!

R. BRYAN STITZER

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10. Americanized anything is great.
9. It is the last place you can buy a complete meal from the change you received from McDonald's.
8. They actually employed a Chihuahua named Gidget.
7. They put put Gidget in a beret and made her say, "vive la gordita."
6. Who doesn't love the descriptive names of the salsas: hot mild and fire. What does fire taste like anyway?
5. You gotta love things made with bean cheese and corn tortilla (These are the three main ingredients in all Taco bell foods).
4. I like to run for the border
3. Have I mentioned how super cool Gidget the Chihuahua is?
2. Customs is a lot easier then getting in to actual Mexico.
1. I can't help it! I love that supper freaken cool Chihuahua.

Insightful insights

by Jon Palmer

Life is like pancakes for breakfast. Now you know.

SCRATCH & SNIFF

How to write a humor article

CHRISTINE WHETMORE
Reviews Humor Editor

I don't have time to be a regular columnist for the Humor Page now that Joe Millionaire has returned to television. Therefore, one of you people actually at SAU will have to start being funny for at least writing something.

It's actually quite simple. First, find someone to type for you. Next make a list of things you think are funny. Throw it away, burn it, or otherwise destroy it. Believe

me, it's not funny. After all, if it were, we probably wouldn't publish it anyway. Next, think of other, better ways to earn \$5."

After this is done, you'll realize the uselessness of it all and, like many before you, slack off and not bother.

If you're still reading this, first off, you're a loser, just like the rest of us writers. Second, you'll need to choose a horse. That's right, any one will do. Then approach delicately. Tame this horse so it will stand

still. Feed it apples and sugar nuggets. If this is too hard you can borrow one from the Humor Stables (examples include: Campus Safety, Café food, Vespers Dates, or Dr. Wohlers***). Then proceed to beat said horse to death by writing an article or two that are based solely around the one theme/joke/pointless waste of space. Finally, continue to write about it in future issues, thus becoming a true Humor Columnist by beating a dead horse.

"You could type for yourself... but then who would you blame?"

** Placing bets on when students will start really using the "Student" Center. You know, the one with the slogan "designed by non-students, for non-students, for the use of all who don't want to be loud, rearrange, get comfortable, sit together, or eat... non-students."

*** These are already really, really dead or at least could appear to be on cursory examination.

Ode to Pasta Day

BRYAN STITZER

FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD HUMOR EDITOR

Oh, Pasta Day, how I love thee!
I wait in patience for Thursday.
I think not of my exurbanite café life.
Only of the succulent goodness of a Pasta Buffet

I wait for the lunch hour. Will it ever come?

Finally I arrive at the café
The line is long but I don't succumb to boredom

I sing praise on the café worker's behalf.

Then the moment of splendorous wonder-
What would you like?
Ravioli, spaghetti, and tortellini. I ponder.

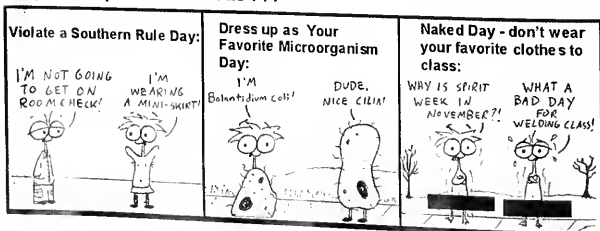
All of it, I Yike*

Then covered in the glorious indiscriminately named white sauce
I carry my tray through the check out line.
I can now gorge my self on this my weekly boss.

The only word I could think of to rhyme with line is brine.

*Yike is a poetic word meaning yuck.
Yes I know I said I would never use asterisks but but...I need lots of help.

Rejected Spirit Week ideas . . .



by Justin Janetzko

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Students to benefit from Tennessee lottery

SHARON RHO
STAFF WRITER

Future students of Tennessee colleges and universities can apply for scholarships funded by the state's lottery. Southern will be affected as next fall's incoming freshmen take advantage of the opportunity.

Financial aid and other scholarships can be awarded simultaneously with the Tennessee lottery scholarship program. "Southern is adding [the Tennessee lottery scholarship] on top of all our other scholarships," said Marc Grundy, Director of Enrollment Services.

Applicants with a 3.0 GPA or a 19 ACT score or 23 for home-schooled students who fill out the FAFSA forms automatically qualify for the new aid. The forms will be available from high school guidance counselors and online at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Students seeking the lottery scholarship must graduate from high school in the Class of 2004 or later, be a Tennessee resident for one full year, and plan to attend a state college or university to qualify.

The amount of monetary assistance to students varies based on the school attended and on the lottery's available funding. Four-year private or public schools attendees can receive up to \$3,000 per year, while students of two-year schools can receive up to \$1,500.

More information regarding application and qualification for the new scholarship are available online at www.state.tn.us/tsoc

Talge construction continues despite injury



L to R: Barry Burchette helps Philip and Oscar Sanchez guide a concrete slab into place. See story page 4

Photo by Jacqui Evelyn

Dormitories ready in case of fire

HEIDI TOMPKINS
STAFF WRITER

Fire officials say Southern is prepared for any emergency involving a fire. Dale Southard, a sophomore in physical education, is a volunteer fire-fighter at Tri-Community Volunteer Fire Department. The volunteers are ready to handle dormitory fires, he said, because they are committed and have the equipment. They have the two ladder trucks with enough reach even to rescue students from the fourth floor of Thatcher South.

After the November fires destroyed Auburn Adventist Academy's girls' dormitory and killed more than 36 people in a Moscow dormitory, Southern students may wonder if Southern's dorms are prepared.

According to Campus Safety, all buildings are constantly monitored for fire. When an alarm goes off on campus, an alarm rings in the Campus Safety office and an officer is immediately dispatched to check it out.

Fire safety systems on campus are continually upgraded, said Campus Safety director Eddie Avant, especially in renovated buildings like the new Hackman and the coming Talge addition.

Thatcher and Talge Halls have partial sprinkler systems and Thatcher South has a complete system. These sprinklers are checked monthly and tested yearly. Fire doors are tested monthly, and all campus alarms are tested twice a year.

All dorm rooms are equipped with heat and smoke detectors; strobe

alarms are installed in several rooms for hearing-impaired students. RA's are responsible to get students with disabilities out of the dorms.

Thatcher RA Wildrie Alvarez, a senior in psychology, feels RA training has prepared her for fire. "We learned how to put out a fire," she said. "We can use a fire extinguisher."

Talge has a fire assistant, who helps evacuation of the dorm go more smoothly. For every RA, Thatcher and Thatcher South have two fire on every hall.

Dorm students must evacuate and get on record within ten minutes, and in drills as well as in actual alarms, so far

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Honest criticism is hard to take, particularly from a relative, a friend, an acquaintance, or a stranger
--Franklin P. Jones

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Cobra in the park

DANE TAYLOR
STAFF WRITER

Collegedale Veterans Park is the home of a recently placed Vietnam War-era AH-1 Cobra attack helicopter. Fort Drum, NY donated the helicopter to the park for permanent display and preservation, and the local VFW paid for the installation, said Dr. Phil Garver, Physical Education, Health, and Wellness professor at Southern and a Vietnam War veteran. "We're trying to get two more pieces of hardware for the park-- a tank and a fighter plane," said Garver.

The Veterans Park was opened on May 26 on land donated by Jack and Betty McKee. The park features an American flag at the center of the park flanked by a Prisoner of War/Missing in Action flag. Flags from all fifty states form a semi-circle around the two flags in the center. A bronze World War II statue, donated by Hamilton County, is also located in the park opposite the state flag semicircle.



Photo by JACQUES SEELYEY

The new cobra helicopter as seen from below in Veterans Memorial Park.

Dave Turner, Commander of the local VFW, said that bronze plaques commemorating all the wars in which the US has been involved in will be installed. There is a campaign to sell bricks with Veteran's names and ranks to families that would like to help support the development of the park.

Garver said the City of Collegedale has been a contributor to all aspects of the park,

especially in construction. Turner added that the VFW has also contributed by being involved with creation of the park and installation of flags and flagpoles.

Those interested in helping support the park can contact the Veterans Memorial Park by mail at P.O. Box 2211, Collegedale, TN 37315.

Shoeboxes for kids

NATHAN HENSON
GUEST COLUMNIST

Southern Adventist University prepared 393 shoeboxes, this year for Operation Christmas Child (OCC), an increase of more than 193 shoeboxes over last year. OCC has distributed more than 24 million boxes to kids in over 115 countries around the globe. These boxes not only make Christmas a time of joy for kids, but also open up the opportunity for the presentation of the Gospel.

SA President Paul Hoover said "this year I wanted to have a mission-focused SA. I feel it matters that we make an impact outside of our school. I believe that one of the most important things we can do is to impact someone else's life. Operation Christmas Child helps us reach out to our world-wide community. Ten to fifteen years ago this might not have been possible on such a scale, but now this is a great way to get involved and make a world-wide difference. To share God's love to everyone is definitely a part of our commission as Christians, and this is just one example of how we can do it."

A goal of 600 shoeboxes was set for Southern this year; even though the goal was not met, almost 200 more shoeboxes were collected than last year. The boxes are collected by the local Kiwanis chapter and distributed world-wide by Samaritan's Purse.

"I think it's a very positive thing we do on campus. It's just sad that we can't reach our goal with the amount of students that are on this campus. It seems like most students go out to eat once a

week. Opting not to eat out for a week would make the money available for Operation Christmas Child," said Alicia Child, Junior Wellness/Business major.

Junior Elementary Education major Janelle Sears said, "I think it's a great way to do community service and give children something extra that they might not get at Christmas."

"Only 393? Maybe people said they were going to do it and just put it off too long. It's kind of like the voting mentality--oh, other people will do it," added Adam Coggins, sophomore Character Animation and French major.

Sunny Tier, a freshman graphic design major, was one of seven people that helped pack shoeboxes into shipping cartons in the student center. "It would've been nice if there were more people there. It was fun," Tier also pointed out that this is not the only way to help children this season. Outpost Centers International also collects pocket change to feed kids across the world.

Since 2000, Southern has participated in the Operation Christmas Child shoebox drive under the leadership of Garret Nudd, Rob Howell, and the PR office. This year, Public Relations has taken on several other projects and is very grateful for SA involvement with Operation Christmas Child. "I think Operation Christmas Child is an easy way for students to give back to the community at large. I was very pleased to see the Student Association office pick up this project and keep it going," said Rob Howell, Director of Marketing and University Relations.



Photo by Rachel, Paul

Christmas shoe boxes are stacked and shipped off to the Samaritan Center by B.J. Singhurst, Tara Lewis, and Nathan Henson.

There's a song in the air

JENNIFER PAGE
STAFF WRITER

A series of holiday concerts, scheduled for the weekend of December 12, will involve over 200 musicians from Southern.

Musical selections in the program, taking place in the Collegedale Seventh-day

Adventist Church, will be performed by the University Chorale, I Cantori, Die Meistersinger, Bel Cantos, and the University Symphony. Julie Penner, director of Bel Cantos, will be a featured soprano soloist.

Each group will perform several carefully-selected

numbers, before the finale, which will include all choirs singing together with the audience. Musical selections will include "I Wonder As I Wander," John Rutter's arrangement of "Wexford Carol," and "Worthy Is the Lamb," a selection from Handel's Messiah.

"I really enjoy singing the Messiah segment," said Brittney McClannahan, chorale member. Ryan Child, I Cantori and Chorale member, enjoys the traditional Christmas music along with the Messiah segment.

The program will include opportunity for audience participation. Singing several familiar Christmas carols together is planned, including "Silent Night," "O Come, All Ye Faithful," and "Angels We Have Heard On High."

The program will take place in the Collegedale SDA Church at 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12 and will repeat at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13. Seating is limited and on a first-come, first-serve basis. Community members are encouraged to attend the Saturday afternoon performance.

Both concerts will be videotaped by students in the TV studio production class. The live broadcast can be seen on Channel 30 in Collegedale and the campus cable system.

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Christmas on the promenade a success

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Crowds bustled through the promenade Tuesday night as the new and improved "Christmas Tree Lighting" was transformed to a walk-through event.

The Collegedale community residents were invited to celebrate the Christmas season with Southern Adventist University's "Christmas on the Promenade." Starting with Santa, visitors enjoyed performances and refreshments as they strolled down the Promenade walkway. Buildings were festively decorated in the spirit of Christmas, accented with several "academic-themed" trees along the way.

Various academic departments and schools became involved with the festivities this year. Buildings along the prom-

enade all had some sort of holiday cheer-decorations on them; red and green lights illuminated the posts of Hickman and a Christmas tree was set atop the Student Center.

Various groups performed along the walkway, starting at Hickman Science Center. Santa and his elves passed out candy and the local fire department had a fire engine with lights flashing sitting in the road nearby.

Collegedale Children's Choir at Herin Hall and the SAU Jazz Ensemble outside performed McKee Library.

Hot drinks and donut holes were served in front of the student center.

At Lynn Wood Hall, members of I Cantori sang carols.

The joyous ringing of the Collegedale Academy Bell Choir sounded outside of

Daniels Hall with the Collegedale Academy Band performing by the Garden of Prayer. Finally Miller, Brock, and Wood Halls hosted SilverBrass and Joint Drama Ministries.

When asked how they enjoyed the event, students replied with enthusiasm. "It was splendiferous," said Nathan Lindsay, senior nursing major. "It was to the limit," added Brian Moore, junior character animation major. Others enjoyed the walk-through event better, because there was more room for everyone. "I like it the way it is now. You can go up and down the promenade and fit more people," said Xavier Hazen, sophomore character animation major.

Many students liked the new placement of the tree, as well.

"I was surprised at where the tree was," said Ellen Bascom, freshman biology major. "It was smaller but prettier, said Larry Baxter, junior English major.

SA officers felt that the event was a great success. "It was a huge step from what was done before. There was a lot of variety and the Christmas tree looks good. All of the departments were able to get involved and there is a lot of Christmas spirit," said Thomas Wentworth, Social Vice President. "The Promenade looks good and has a good Christmas feel to it."

Changes to the Christmas Tree Lighting were made because the event had been happening in the same area of campus for many years in a row. Board members, as well

as students, felt the tree lighting in front of Brock and Wood Halls seemed rather boring.

"One reason we selected to make this event on the Promenade was so that the community could experience our campus and not just stand in one place and get cold waiting for Santa to come," said Karl Shultz, Student Services Director. "Another reason was that we thought that departments and schools could become involved and give a gift of lights and festivities to the community. We thought that people might enjoy moving and listening to the groups that appeal to them. Basically, we wanted something different."

With the event's popularity the future looks bright for Christmas on the Promenade.

"I only see this event getting bigger each year," Shultz said.

Industrial Light and Magic hires Southern graduate

LESLIE FOSTER
STAFF WRITER

Industrial Light and Magic (ILM), a prestigious special effects company, recently hired an SAU alumna.

"ILM is the place where everyone wants to work. They do the coolest effects work and have the best people. They practically invented the [visual effects] industry with 'Star Wars' in the late '70s and ever since then, ILM has been the best in the business," said Zach Gray, animation instructor at the School of Visual Art and Design.

ILM interviewed Jesse Rademacher, a 2001 graduate, at this year's Special Interest Group: Graphics (SIGGRAPH) Conference and subsequently hired him. Rademacher, who has been at ILM for a month now, works as a matchmove animator.

Matchmovers align computer cameras with real world cameras when animation needs to be added to a film, says Rademacher. The job description also includes digital double work, in which actors are replaced by computerized substitutes. This enables an actor's character to interact with computer generated (CG) elements.

Rademacher spent five years at Southern, and received a double major in the fields of computer science and technical



contributed

Jesse Rademacher

direction in animation. As well as working at ILM, he is currently completing his MFA degree at Savannah College of Art and Design.

"Jesse liked to get involved with everything - music department, drama, set design and construction, animation projects, film projects, painting - anything creative, he was involved," Gray said.

The theatrical productions he was involved in during his time at SAU include Fiddler on the Roof, The Pirates of Penzance, Amahl and the Night Visitors, The Mikado, Trial By Jury and the SonRise pageant, in which he played Jesus every year he was at Southern.

Rademacher also worked as a teaching assistant in the School of Visual Art of Design and did some teaching at the

School after he graduated. His students, classmates, and colleagues remember him well.

"He was really good, really helpful, really knowledgeable," said Josh Caez, senior animation major. "He pushed us to do the best, and we truly did. It was really cool to have an animated animator."

"Jesse's just really good at balancing a passion of doing amazing artistic work and a passion for God," said John Kloosterhuis, senior animation major. Kloosterhuis felt that Rademacher had a hand in keeping the animation program focused on doing work for Christ. Kloosterhuis also mentioned that Rademacher had the ability to interact with all kinds of people.

"Good interpersonal skills are very, very important [in working in the entertainment industry]," Rademacher says.

He is enjoying his work at ILM so far. "It's a lot of hard work, like any other job," he said, "but the really great part is that you get to work with so many creative, professional people. It's really inspiring."

Rademacher's advice to film and animation students? "Work at building a demo reel of your work from the start; go to SIGGRAPH or equivalent film festivals; and get to know people in the industry; learn how to work with people."

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Campus Kitchen Earns 95 %

JESSICA RIVERA
STAFF WRITER

The Campus Kitchen is one of the many restaurants in Tennessee that gets inspected every six months. According to Tennessee's official website, state law requires that restaurants have an unannounced inspection every 180 days to make sure they are in agreement with health regulations.

The inspection consists of a list of 44 items to be checked, 13 of which are considered critical. A perfect score is 100% and anything under 70% is a failing score.

The Campus Kitchen has generally fared pretty well. Shirley Menhennet, manager of the Campus Kitchen, said, "We usually get a 95% or above."

"It looks like it's one of the cleanest places on campus," said Elizabeth McDaniel, a health inspector for the Chattanooga-Hamilton County area.

Last month the Campus Kitchen received one critical for having a bottle of dish soap unlabeled, giving them a score of 90%. After fixing the problem, their follow-up score was a 95%.

If a restaurant receives a crit-

ical mark, they have ten days to correct the problem. If they fail to comply, the restaurant may be shut down.

Other places on campus have received commendable scores, including KR's, which received a 95% during their health inspection in June.

Compared with other college and universities' campus cafeterias, Southern ranks very well. In an article published in the UTC Echo, the new UTC cafeteria failed their first inspection in October after which their follow-up score was an 89%.

Cafeterias at Lee University received an 85 after follow-up and Cleveland State's cafeteria earned a 92%.

Local restaurants around Collegedale have received commendable scores. Ozzie's Ice Cream scored a 95, Pie in the Sky received a 93, and China Kitchen scored an 88.

Restaurants in Chattanooga fare a little worse, with The Olive Garden and Panera Bread on Gunbarrel both scoring an 84%. However, downtown, Rembrandt's Coffee House received a 96 on their last inspection.

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Dormitories ready

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everyone has met that requirement.

"I think we're actually doing very well," said Beverly Edson, associate dean in Thatcher Hall. "Hopefully the girls will cooperate and not burn popcorn—burned food sets off most fire alarms."

Southern's last actual fire (defined as an event requiring the fire department to spray water) was last February in Hickman. Avant couldn't remember the last actual dormitory fire. "It's very, very, very rare," he said. However, he cautions students to be prepared just in case.

Dwight Magers, one of the Talge deans, reminds students to insure their belongings. Smoke can damage electronic devices like computers, cell phones, and palm pilots, he said. "Your stuff is not covered unless you make sure it is."

Helen Bledsoe, associate dean in Thatcher South, said, "The residence halls on this campus have the best fire safety plan." In 2002, she added, Southern gave a fire safety workshop for other Adventist schools. Southern has also received a letter of praise from the city fire marshal.

This year, Campus Safety has responded to 68 fire alarms: 29 in Thatcher and Thatcher South, 20 in Talge, and 27 in Southern Village. Since the end of August, 22

Southern secures accreditation

DON CANTRELL
STAFF WRITER

Southern will retain university accreditation for the next 10 years, says the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. SACS had placed Southern on "warning status" last year, citing concerns over the qualifications of overseas schools affiliated with Southern, as well as some minor on-site concerns.

According to Vinita Sauder, Vice President of marketing and University Relations, given the massive amount of resources needed to bring these overseas schools up to the excessive requirements, Southern was forced to cut ties with the establishments to satisfy SACS.

The most recent SACS decision means that Southern has properly addressed the problem areas in its curriculum and no checkups or follow-up reports are required until 2012—the end of the current 10-year period, which started last year.

MELITA PUJIC
STAFF WRITER

University officials say that the academic shift from high school to college is a big step for entering freshmen to make. Freshmen not used to the amount of required work tend to drop higher classes, or drop college altogether.

According to Ruth Liu, Director of Institutional Research at Southern, the national rate of freshmen dropouts is 63 percent. However, Southern's dropout rate is on the decline.

Last year, Southern set up a retention committee and committed funds to help strengthen the freshmen experience at Southern. "It is a global initiative to facilitate student success, with particular attention to first-year—the critical juncture in the life of a student—in terms of psychosocial development and academics," Liu said.

The retention committee, comprised of faculty and administrators, has a monthly meeting to discuss freshmen retention issues. Some issues being addressed by the committee include: does the students' experiences match up with expectations? How can the school help students expe-

rience a more successful year?

Does "Smart Start" help students adjust better at Southern? The committee surveyed freshman students to discover potential reasons for a student to drop out. Surveys suggest a need for stronger freshmen orientation. In addition, students said they wanted peer mentoring, which Southern has implemented this year through the retention committee.

"To help students be successful, colleges must be engaging—the faculty needs to be personally involved with the students in and out of class," said Vinita Sauder, chair of the retention committee and the vice president for marketing and enrollment services.

The committee invites proposals from departments for field trips and activities organized specifically for the freshmen. A budget has been set aside to put the proposals into action.

Such planned activities include a trip to Nashville sponsored by the School of Journalism and Communications department and is slated to happen this month, the trip would be aimed specifically toward freshmen. Additional

Injury at Talge Hall construction site

DON CANTRELL
STAFF WRITER

Construction worker Clair Kitson suffered serious injuries earlier this month while working on the new wing of Talge hall.

The beam, which was part of the floor structure, gave way and struck Kitson with a glancing blow to the head and upper back.

The accident took place on Tuesday, December 2 at approximately 2:00 p.m.

Campus Safety Director Eddie Avant, who was present

on the accident scene, Kitson was conscious and responding to bystanders when evacuated to Erlanger.

According to Marty Hamilton, Leasehold Director for Southern, Kitson suffered internal injuries including a ruptured spleen, bruised lung and two broken ribs.

Kitson has since been released from the hospital and is recovering. Hamilton said doctors have recommended Kitson rest for at least a couple of weeks before returning to work.



These are the actual beams that struck Clair Kitson in the head and upper back.

activities are planned to happen later in the year.

Committee funding may be used to explore initiatives that would work towards building community among students, faculty, and departments.

The committee has developed ideas and plans to improve the teacher-freshmen relationship, in order to make freshmen feel more at ease.

An intervention program is another successful program on campus in which retention committee members pray together for students that they believe are not doing well or are sick.

"We feel a commitment to student success, and we want to help them reach their goals," said Liu. "The first year is the most vulnerable."

Southern defends senior exit exam

JANEL PETTIBONE
STAFF WRITER

Many seniors are annoyed by the exam they must take before graduating, but accreditation officials say the exam is necessary for Southern Adventist University to retain university status.

"The accreditation committee, SACS, requires an evaluation of our general education program every year," said Joni Zier, director of records and advisement, "and the Academic Profile Test satisfies SACS."

Zier explained that all universities must administer a similar exam to graduating seniors. The university receives a comparative listing of scores of all other schools in the same category as Southern, including sister universities such as Southwestern Adventist University—allowing Southern to compare its students' performance to the national norms.

According to Zier, the test does not affect the seniors' grade point averages or appear on their transcripts, although it may in the future.

"Unfortunately, our office and the Center of Counseling and Testing receives criticism for the test, but nobody here is really the keeper of the exam," Zier said. "We're asked by the institution to give the exam for accreditation."

As Zier said, many seniors were not happy about taking the exam.

"It seemed like a waste of time," said Kevin Johnson, senior history major. "You could go into it straight out of high school and do alright."

The percentage of returning freshmen was 71 percent last year, and it has been increasing in the last couple of years, according to the office of Institutional Research at Southern.

Freshmen students believe that Southern has better academic standards than other universities, said Jackie Darmody, a freshman public relations major. Another important factor in freshmen retention is the social atmosphere on campus.

"The people make the school," said Darmody.

The retention program is planning to change its name to the "Student Success" program because the goal of the committee is to help students be successful.

As a history major, Johnson also had to take an oral history exam to graduate. "That test was hard, but at least it was testing me over what I learned in college," he said. "The other test doesn't show what I've learned."

Louis Licht, senior public relations major, agreed with Johnson about the Academic Profile Test.

"It was time consuming and very general knowledge," he said. Licht also complained that he was notified only one week before having to take the test.

Southern has been giving senior exit test since 1990. Every year Southern's scores have been above the national norm for institutions in the same category, said Ruth Liu, director of Southern's Institutional Research and Planning department.

Liu said that this is only the second time seniors have had to take the full-length exam. In the past they have taken the abbreviated version. The full-length exam allows students to show their communication skills more completely, she said.

"This year's seniors are better, really better test takers," Zier said.

The results of the last year's exam will be used to decide if additional criteria will be needed for graduation in the future, she explained.

"The purpose of the test is to identify competency of basic skills that we say graduates must attain," Liu said. "If students get a degree, we want to ensure that they've obtained basic competencies; otherwise our degree loses credibility."



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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

Kloosterhuis: This artist starves for more

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With paint-splattered jeans, spunky ties and lime green shirts, he flashes his wide, intense grin. His frazzled beard and long, chestnut-brown hair almost match the hue of his ruddy coat. His bold yet friendly eyes exert auras of eccentricity, craziness and abstract depths—done one even dare to enter the mind of this artist?

Art genius and senior Southern student John Kloosterhuis, 23, is receiving his B.S. degree in 3-D character animation. Raised in Washington, D.C., he cur-



John Kloosterhuis

rently resides in Ooltewah. Kloosterhuis' passion for art traces back to early childhood. His mother, a talented artist herself, nurtured his artistic growth.

"When I was four years old, I remember drawing triangles and then turning them into drag-racing cars," he said. "Animation came to me when I was around eight—flip-book sketches helped me combine drawing with motion."

Kloosterhuis is inspired mostly by trees and other artists. Leonardo da Vinci and the Renaissance era struck high interest during his younger years. Recently, a trip to a Florida museum gave Kloosterhuis a great appreciation for artist Salvador Dali. Kloosterhuis also admires and appreciates insights from Southern animation professor Hendal Buytoy, former Disney director of 30 years.

With art being his way of expression in more ways than one, Kloosterhuis has many hobbies. Some of them include reading the Bible, wakeboarding, guiding rafts, rock climbing and playing drums. In addition, true friendships mean the world to him.

"I love relationship-sustaining with eternal vibes,"

he said.

Kloosterhuis' creative, mind-boggling antics are quite evident to his friends.

Whitni McDonald, junior biology secondary education major, appreciates Kloosterhuis' ability to completely immerse himself in his art. "To John, art seems very tangible. He experiences it with his whole body."

"[John] is a passionate artist who finds himself very dissatisfied with the current design of silly putty," said Aaron Roche, sophomore theology major.

After graduation in May, Kloosterhuis plans on "hanging out, living cheap, making 3-D graphics and operating in Chatta-vegas [Chattanooga] with all my home-slices."

Many daily discoveries make him the person he is today.

"My experience in hydelic infiltration of the daily brain bread has now fused me together with the ultimate. My skin pores gleek the non-stop desire to visually illuminate verbiage that cleans raspberry stains off your perspective so truth-formulated clarity castrates disillusion for internal funkopotimus growth from and toward the everlasting."

RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

After three years of being office manager for the School of Business and Management, Verlyne Starr became a teacher in the department during the summer of 2002. She now teaches business software and business communication.

Before coming to Southern, Starr taught English at Oakland Community College in Michigan for 10 years. "We came here because our sons did not want to leave home to go away to school and they were academy age," she said.

Five years later, Starr said she likes the "warmth that exists between students and faculty [and] the freedom to speak openly about my beliefs [at Southern]." After teaching for 10 years at a public college "where those privileges were denied to me, this atmosphere is so refreshing," she said.

Starr, who already has a Masters in English from Oakland University, began work on a Master of Business Administration so she could teach the business communication course at Southern.

"In terms of being the most creative, the business communications [class] is definitely a favorite," Starr said.

Business communication is a required course for all business majors, and several other majors require it as a cognate. In the class, stu-



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dents learn everything from resume writing and interview skills to "minding their business manners," Starr said.

"The students should learn to manage communication and that communication is a matter of conviction, not convenience," she said.

Starr also teaches business software, which is "just lots of fun because students many times come with little skills and you just see them learn so much during the course of a semester," she said.

As a teacher, Starr enjoys the "interaction with the students; that's very fulfilling." She also enjoys watching students grow and rise to "the challenge of blending academics with a spiritual focus."

The frustrating parts of teaching are assigning grades and seeing students struggle in their classes, she said.

The most important qualities for Southern's business majors to have are "competence, compassion and consecration to the Lord," Starr said. She pointed to a survey a team of students conducted showing that Southern students differentiate between ethical behavior and Christian ethical behavior.

"So while by the world's standards, ethical behavior is an important element of success, it is more critical for graduates of Southern to exemplify Christian ethical behavior," she said.

Starr's hobbies include being a grandmother, collecting records, flower gardening and reading. "I like to read [true] stories that have a spiritual orientation," she said. "I also like to read anything that has to do with interpersonal communication."

The holiday budget crunch

RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

The average American family plans to spend \$455 dollars on gifts this Christmas, according to an annual survey by The College Board, a not-for-profit organization. According to the survey, households that are headed by young adults under age 25 expect to spend slightly less than the average amount (\$418) this holiday season.

"I think people should spend money on those that mean a lot to them, primarily

family and close friends," said Nathan Taube, senior systems administration major, in response to the survey. "A \$455 for an entire household is not excessive at all," Taube said.

Arlen Byrd, freshman theology major, said he probably spent around \$300 on Christmas presents last year. Byrd expects to spend "maybe more this year because more people will be at my house [on Christmas]."

While Byrd may spend more money on presents than the average college student,

Christmas can easily put a crimp on students' budgets.

"Christmas is one of those things you always want to plan for but end up never...planning ahead for, so Christmas is always a surprise to your budget," Taube said.

Saleisha Williams, sophomore broadcast journalism major, uses her employee discount at a clothing store to cut down her holiday expenses. "I think about what kind of stuff [I loved ones] like and try to figure out the cheapest way to get it," Williams said.

Making presents can also help make the holidays more affordable. "I think the most special and personal presents are homemade," Byrd said. "I especially like to make things that capture memories like photo albums or CD's with music we have in common."

In the end, Byrd said he chooses what to give people based not on how much money he has, but on what he thinks people will appreciate. "Sometimes the most precious gifts don't cost very much," he said.

Attend Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker Suite

TIFFANY TUELL
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Add a classic touch to your holiday season by attending the Nutcracker at the Tivoli Theater.

Many people have heard Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker Suite, but how many know the story behind the making of the famous ballet.

In 1891 Marius Petipa, a legendary choreographer began choreographing the ballet. The ballet was derived from a story by a German writer named E.T.A. Hoffman. Tchaikovsky

wrote the music for the ballet. Due to illness, Petipa was not able to finish choreographing the ballet. His assistant, Lev Ivanov, completed the ballet. The "Nutcracker's" debut was December 18, 1892. The first performance was in Russia at the Maryinsky Theater in St. Petersburg. Today the "Nutcracker" has become a holiday classic, but when the "Nutcracker" first debuted it met scathing remarks by critics. They thought it weak and not serious enough for the Maryinsky.

Petipa gave Tchaikovsky

strict instructions on exactly how he wanted the music to be written and heard. For example, Petipa wanted The Sugar Plum Fairy "with the sound of falling drops of water, as from a fountain." Only through Tchaikovsky's genius was the music a success.

The story of the "Nutcracker" had to be revised from its original print version to better fit the audiences that it was going to be presented to. The book from which the "Nutcracker" was derived was not appropriate for children.

The "Nutcracker" ballet is

about a girl named Clara at Christmas. She receives nutcracker doll for Christmas from her Grandfather. Her brother, becoming immensely jealous, breaks her poor, wooden doll. Clara repairs the nutcracker as well as she can and places him back under the Christmas tree.

During the night she gets out of bed to go find her nutcracker. She lies down on the couch and slips into dream filled sleep. All of the sudden, Clara's world is invaded by mice. Her wooden nutcracker becomes a soldier and fights the multitude of mice. He is victorious over the

mice and becomes a prince and asks Clara to join him on a journey to The Kingdom of the Sweets. She accepts and they travel to the kingdom. When they arrive, the angels have prepared an abundant feast of sweets from around the world.

The Chattanooga Ballet will present the classic "Nutcracker" ballet while the Chattanooga Symphony Orchestra performs the striking holiday music by Tchaikovsky on Sunday, December 14, at 2:00 p.m.

For more information visit

Christmas time at the ABC

JUELLE JAMES
STAFF WRITER

The Adventist Book Center has already begun to gear up for Christmas—one of the busiest times of the year for the local retailer.

During the first week of December, the ABC is hosting an open house to showcase specials on merchandise and to offer free gift-wrapping.

The ABC has a variety of items available; from books to music. Their most recent best-seller has been The Purpose Driven Life, by Christian author Rick Warren. The book has been on

the New York Times best-seller list by Christian authors. Two Adventist authors, Jim Hohnberger and Jerry Thomas, also have popular books, *Escape to God* and *Messiah*.

Musical groups such as the Heritage Singers and the Heralds have been selling well, as has been Wintley Phipps as well as a local group called Message of Mercy.

Although the ABC is owned by the Conference, Southern students work at the store.

"During the holiday we help decorate and put the bar-

codes into the computer," said Angela Harebottle, two-year accounting major.

Students often come into the shop to read a book or buy music.

"What students don't know is that they can buy books for classes at the ABC," said Diane Harvey. They can reserve the book they need and the Campus Shop will buy it from the ABC and put it on (the student's) bill."

Books that a student wants to purchase for personal use have to be approved by the Campus Shop before purchase.

Merry Christmas from everybody at the Accent office. May you give and receive much joy in the holiday season.

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Tony's Business Beat

University Fact or Fiction?

TONY CASTELBUONO
BUSINESS EDITOR

Did you know that Walla Walla College is 36% more expensive than Southern Adventist University? Here are the tuition fees for the following colleges:

SWAU-\$11,016 (12-17 hrs)
SAU-\$12,400 (12-16 hrs)
AU-\$14,200 (12-16 hrs)
PUC-\$16,335 (12-17 hrs)
WCC-\$16,860 (13-16 hrs)

Did you know that if you are a full-time student at Pacific Union College and if you are a Seventh-day Adventist, they will give you a tuition discount of \$780 for the year?

Did you know that if you bought a car for \$20,000, at a 6.00% interest rate, put a down payment of \$2,000, and

agreed to pay of the remaining balance over 48 months the total cost of the car would be \$22,291; however if you decided to do everything the same except put a larger down payment on your car, say \$8,000, the total cost of the car would be \$21,527, only \$764 less than when paying a \$2,000 down payment? Although consumers should look to pay the least amount of interest as possible (preferably none) on purchases, in this case, the \$6,000 saved from paying only a down payment of \$2,000 could be used for other investments.

Did you know that undergraduate students at Southern pay \$27 more (student taking 16 hrs) or \$97 more (student taking 14 hrs) per credit hour than graduate students?

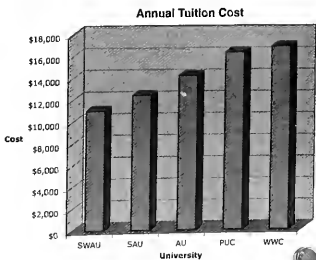
Did you know that graduate students at Andrews pay \$78/\$178 (Master's/Doctoral) more (student taking 14 hrs) or \$142/\$242 (Master's/Doctoral) more (student taking 16 hrs) per credit hour than undergraduate students?

Did you know that the American Spelling Book is the number three best selling book of all-time (with 3 million copies sold)?

Did you know that you can go to shopbizrate.com and buy candy bars at a cheaper price than at Wal-Mart?

One of the above "Did you know questions" is not true, its fiction! DO YOU KNOW which one it is? Please email your best guess to: tonysbusinessbeat@yahoo.com.

Information courtesy of: SDA college websites, askmen.com, and shopbizrate.com





Merry Christmas Southern



Destiny Drama members portray Mary and Joseph on their first Christmas.



Ken Rogers tastes entries in the Chaplain's Cookie Contest.



L to R, President of the computer club, Trevor Ehrlich, and Andrew Bermudez decorate the proclaimed "nerd tree" with junk cds for Tuesday night.



The Collegedale Kids Choir sings "Rudolf the Red-Nosed Reindeer" in front of Herun Hall.



Sara Hines, far left, sings with sign language during Cantori's performance at Lynn Wood Hall.



The Collegedale Academy Bell Choir plays by the Garden of Prayer.

Tis' the Season



Photo by Jacqui Seeley

(far right) Austin Akers, 9, watches the Ooltewah High School Marching Band.



Photo by Jacqui Seeley

Ashlee Mountcastle, 7, and Austin Akers, 9, from Ft. Oglethorpe, Georgia, wait for Santa's sleigh.



Photo by Jacqui Seeley

(far left) Anita Kitchen has sold toys and trinkets during holiday parades for eighteen years.



Photo by Jacqui Seeley

L to R: MacKenzie Hammond, Hannah Heath, and Chantell Smith display their new Christmas reindeer hats.



Photo by Jacqui Seeley

The GymMasters perform to a captive audience.



Photo by Jacqui Seeley

Robert and Sam Maner, 4, enjoy the sunshine on Sunday before the Christmas Parade arrived at Apison Pike.

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT

RELIGION

The real meaning of Christmas

KELLY RAZOUK
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

It is hard to imagine that in 2003 some world regimes would still practice such horrible acts as public hangings. It is abominable that in this new millennium these hangings would be broadcast on prime-time television and watched by many as a form of entertainment, but this is reality in the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Cranes used in most countries for building skyscrapers and offices are turned into gallows and used to hang young men accused of political crimes in Iran. Usually these crimes consist of speaking out against the savagery of the powerful Mullah regime.

The Mullahs use God and religion to justify committing these atrocities. Before wrapping the green nylon ropes around the necks of their victims, they utter the words "In the name of God."

Since 1979, more than 375 death sentences, executions, and public hangings have taken place in Iran. These public executions are just the beginning of the human rights violations committed in Iran.

Women receive the worst treatment under the laws of the Mullahs. Since 1979, 7 women have been stoned to death. The Mullahs even make rules on how the stoning is to be carried out. A woman is placed in a hole up to her neck. Article 104 of the Law of Hodoud states, "When stoning an offender the stones should not be so large that the person dies after being hit with two of them, nor so small as to be defined as pebbles, but must cause severe injury." This makes it clear that the purpose of ston-

ing is to inflict severe pain on the victim in a process leading to her slow death. Family members, including children of the victim, are usually forced to watch this horrible process. One victim of stoning was heard screaming, "I have five children, I have done nothing wrong!" as stones were hurled at her head. Most stonings are done in secret so they do not receive media attention.

Women are also victims of public amputation and flogging. Small violations of Mullah rules have severe consequences. This month five girls were arrested for listening to loud music and dancing in a car. They were sentenced to 50 lashes each.

Iranians are not the only ones subjected to this treatment. A Canadian journalist was arrested for taking pictures of the Mullah prisons and was tortured to death while in captivity.

Iranians — "ing for the United Nations" — use a resolution passed by Canada that condemns the widespread human rights abuses, the lack of basic freedoms and the continuing implementation of inhuman punishments. People around the world have expressed their solidarity with the Iranian people and hope that this resolution will compel the Iranian regime to halt these grave human rights violations.

Unless this resolution is implemented across Iran, the slaughter will continue and the screams of a people longing to be free will fall on the deaf ears of their violent perpetrators. The crans of Iran must be used for the rebuilding of a civilization—not for the destruction of a nation.

Andrews republishes controversial book

MARK A. KELLNER
ADVENTIST NEWS NETWORK

After a 40-year hiatus, the book "Seventh-day Adventists Answer Questions on Doctrine" is back in print. Andrews University Press, part of the church-owned university and seminary in Berrien Springs, Michigan, recently released the 597-page, annotated edition of the book.

"This book played an important role in the history of the Adventist Church," said Dr. Gerhard Pfandl of the Biblical Research Institute. George R. Knight, professor of church history at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary and editor of the annotated volume adds, republishing of the book makes a valuable contribution to church life.

"It's a very positive and aggressive statement of Adventist beliefs," Knight told ANN. "It had been lost to the Adventist public because it had been put on the back shelf."

Ronald Knott, director of Andrews University Press, refers to the release of the book as presenting a "scholarly explanation

of Adventist beliefs."

Original publication of the landmark volume came about following a series of meetings between the late Dr. Donald Grey Barnhouse, an evangelical Christian pastor and editor of "Eternity" magazine, and the late Walter R. Martin, then a young writer for the periodical. Martin later founded the Christian Research Institute, gaining fame as author of "The Kingdom of the Cults," a key text on alternative religions.

Adventism, due to its differences on key points with evangelicals over the Sabbath, the state of the dead and the present ministry of Christ, was often viewed in the 1950s as a "cult" by evangelical Christians, despite Adventists' affirmation of an unwavering approach to the Scriptures, Trinity and other key Christian doctrines.

The series of meetings between the two evangelicals and Adventist Church leaders and scholars LeRoy E. Froom, E.E. Read, R.A. Anderson and T.E. Unruh led to a growing acceptance of Adventists as fellow Christians by many evangelicals. Martin submitted a list of 40 questions, which the Adventists were to answer; the result of those discussions became the book, which was often referred to as "Questions on Doctrine" or "QOD."

In the text, which was credited to "a representative group" of Adventist "leaders, Bible teachers and editors," the Adventist Church set forth its belief in the main teachings of Protestant theology: the Bible as the sole rule of faith and practice; an understanding of a triune Godhead; and salvation by grace alone through faith alone. These answers helped put Adventism

squarely within the mainstream of evangelical thought.

However, QOD did not depart from defending Adventism's more distinctive doctrines, including the seventh-day Sabbath, the "state of the dead" and the present ministry of Christ in the heavenly sanctuary. Also defended was the Wesleyan-Arminian theology held by Methodists, Nazarenes and others as well as by Adventists, in contrast to the Calvinism supported by Barnhouse. (Calvinism teaches only the "elect" will be saved, while Wesleyan-Arminian teaching stresses anyone can respond to the Gospel's invitation.)

Editor's Note: "Questions on Doctrine" created, or perhaps merely contributed to, controversy within Adventism following its publication in the late 1950s. Some Adventist pastors, theologians, scholars, and laymen found in "Questions on Doctrine" what they believed to be a betrayal of some core Adventist beliefs, particularly with regards to the nature of Christ and the atonement. Perhaps most prominent among them was M.L. Andreasen, a retired Adventist theologian. The republished volume contains commentary by George R. Knight, professor of church history at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, in which he admits that some of Andreasen's complaints were valid. The republishing of "Questions on Doctrine" has, nonetheless, been controversial as well. Look for an article examining the impact of the original and republished "Questions on Doctrine" early next semester.

For the full text of the above article, visit www.adventist.org/news.



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Colporteur shares God's love

CRYSTAL T. JAMES
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

God's good all the time. Being a Literature Evangelist has given me a better outlook on life. I am now more comfortable with sharing the truth with everyone I meet. For the past two years of canvassing, God has blessed me and given me great experience.

One particular experience which sticks out in my mind, happened about a month ago. About 15 minutes after sunset I

knocked on someone's door. After three minutes of waiting, a white cat came to the door. My conscience told me to wait, but I decided to go. As I passed a large tree heading to the next house, I heard a loud, hoisterous voice saying "HERE." I was quite startled and thought about running, but a still small voice said, "Go back." I mustered up all the faith I could and turned around only to see this man, who was completely drunk and high and

seemed to be possessed. His eyes bulged out, and I thought he was going to attack me. While these thoughts rushed through my mind, the Lord said, "Do you think I am going to let this man hurt you Crystal? You are doing my work. I am in control."

With that in mind, I started to speak to this man. I handed him two books: God's Answers to Your Questions and Peace Above the Storm. He held the books tightly and would not give

them back. Then in a humbled tone he said, "I need help." I simply told him that God brought me there just for him and all he needed to do was ask Jesus for help. I then showed him two other books, The Great Controversy and He Taught Love. We talked for a while and he started to cry. He kept on repeating that he needed help and eventually bought the four books. We conversed some more while he expressed his dire need

for the Lord in tears. Before I left we prayed and he was filled with the spirit.

Despite our many differences we should never be intimidated by anyone when it comes to telling him or her about the Lord. We never know what a person is going through, and we should always be willing to share the good news. Just think—there may be someone's last hope for salvation. Just trust God and obey; there is a blessing in answer.

Fifteen minutes

ANDREA KEELE IN NELSON,
NEW ZEALAND
12/21/03

A strong breeze rushed around me as I made my way down the drive of the retirement home. The brightly colored flowers and immaculate lawns almost annoyed me as I passed them and entered the automatic glass doors of the large, elegant building. Who were they trying to fool anyway? Everyone knows who really live in retirement homes. Old people. They might be rich, old people, but they're still average, hard-of-hearing, walker-pushing old people. Don't get me wrong. I have absolutely nothing against nursing homes or retirement homes. I've spent my share of time singing, playing the piano, and listening to stories in those places, and have genuinely enjoyed my times there, when it was all said and done. But today, I just wasn't in the mood. I didn't have any excuse for not being excited about it, but today it was just a "duty." Another part of the job as a volunteer for the church. And today I was tired of being a volunteer.

Pasting on a happy smile, I asked the receptionist where I could find Ellen Peirsen", then followed her directions, winding around corridors, passing the large recliner chair room and various residences until I found the right number. I knocked lightly, paused then knocked again. I finally stopped to think about who I was visiting, other than just her name. I wondered if perhaps I might be interrupting a nap, or if she was hard of hearing, or maybe couldn't speak. Deciding to take the risk and beat out, I knocked once more, then gently pushed the door open. The slight frame in the bed was draped with a sheet, facing the opposite wall. Her hands were clutching and unclutching the bars on the bed guard.

"Mrs. Peirsen?" I

approached timidly, hoping I would not startle her. "Mrs. Peirsen... are you awake?" I assumed she was, since her hands were moving. Reaching the side of the bed she was facing, I sat in the chair next to her.

"My name is Andrea, and I'm a volunteer at the church. I heard you might like a visit, so I thought I'd stop by." She continued to look down. "Is that ok?" Still silence. Now what?

After various random comments about the warm weather, the caged bird in the corner, the lovely crocheted blanket, and anything else I could see in the room to talk about, I began to realize that she must have had a stroke. I could tell she could hear me, even though I wasn't talking very loudly, and every now and then she would say a word or two, or answer yes or no questions. Finally, she started spelling something.

"Seventies?" I questioned. She slowly, carefully pronounced the words "Seventh-day Adventist." I told her, yes, I was from the Seventh-day Adventist church, and that's how I knew of her, and that the church was still praying for her. She didn't say anything. I told her again that I was the volunteer there for the year. I talked about a few other things, knowing that she could hear, but it was hard for her to respond because of the effects of the stroke. Finally, I ran out of things to say that didn't require too many questions.

"Would you like to get back to resting?" I still was unsure as to the timing or the status of my visit, whether welcome or not so welcome. She mumbled something I couldn't quite make out, but I figured she probably was ready for me to leave.

"I'll just have a quick prayer, and then let you get back to sleep. Is that ok?" She said nothing, but looked up at me. I reached for her hand, and she grasped mine.

And then it happened. I don't know how, or even exactly what happened, but at that moment, I changed. As I prayed, I suddenly became aware of the precious gift of life. I had only just met this woman, but I wanted more than anything for her to be ok, to not have to waste away in bed, unable to express herself without great difficulty, much less care for her most basic needs. I wanted her to find comfort and peace, to know that everything was going to be ok. I wanted to cry for her. I quickly ended my prayer before the lump in my throat could overtake me.

I started to say goodbye, and she let me know I was welcome to come back anytime. I told her I would come back next week. But she still had my hand. I wasn't quite sure what to do, but decided to just stay a little longer. I held her hand in peaceful silence for probably five minutes as she dozed off. Finally she opened her eyes again, looking surprised that I was still there. I told her goodbye once more, and tried to release my hand again. This time I realized I was holding the hand on the side that the stroke had affected, so she couldn't control her grip. With her other hand, she pulled her hand from mine, and I left her with the promise that I would return the following week.

A different girl walked out of that room than entered it only 15 minutes earlier. In just a few minutes, and very few words, Mrs. Peirsen had taught me a giant lesson about God's love for each human being, and the incredible value He places on every single life.

Perhaps being a "student missionary" in a "foreign land" isn't always about finding God in exotic, breathtaking places. Maybe it is simply experiencing Him in the ordinary circumstances of every-day living, and catching a glimpse of Him in the faces of average people. And that is truly life-changing.

Adventist student dies in dormitory blaze

VALERY IVANOV/ MARK A. KELLNER
ADVENTIST NEWS NETWORK

An early-morning fire on Nov. 24 claimed the life of a Peruvian Seventh-day Adventist student at People's Friendship University in Moscow. Giancarlo Paitamala Saez, 20, died of head injuries sustained when he jumped from the third floor of the burning dormitory. At least 36 students were killed and 200 more injured in the blaze.

Another Adventist church member, 18-year-old Ivan Ostrovsky from Brazil, is recuperating in a Moscow hospital from his injuries. Ostrovsky, who arrived a month ago to study international law, jumped from the fifth floor of the burning dormitory, yet miraculously survived. He has spoken with his parents via mobile phone, and reportedly is suffering from a broken arm, broken ribs, and spinal injuries.

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Collegedale Church		9:00 & 11:30
Korean Youth Church	Vince Saunders	11:00
Spanish-American Church	Nelson Rojas	9:00 - 11:45
Hamilton Community Church	Mark Bressee	11:30 AM
McDonald Road Church		8:50 & 11:25
The Third		10:00

We have your church included in the weekly church schedule, e-mail seanreed@southern.edu.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT


OPINION


Reaction to Bietz's town hall meeting


Thumbs Up - Thumbs Down

JUSTIN KOBYLKA
OPINION EDITOR

 Thumbs up to the promenade Christmas program. It was out of the box and a wonderful improvement to the lagging "Christmas tree lighting" of the past. Thank you very much, Southern, for welcoming the holidays in style.

 Thumbs down to the fact that there are no worship offerings during the week before finals week. I know it just isn't done that way and it has never been available, but we must ask why. It would be very nice for those who are still trying to put together enough worship after Thanksgiving break.

 Thumbs up to Christmas decorations around campus like the banners along University drive. This is an awesome feature and spreads a little holiday cheer all around. Thanks to those who actually took the time to put them up—know that they are much appreciated.

 Thumbs down to very bad cell phone reception in several of the campus buildings. If the university would provide something to boost the signal in these places, it would really improve the lives of students who have to spend lots of time in those buildings.

Letter to the editor

Dear Editor,
Obviously the author of "thumbs up, thumbs down" is not a resident of Talge Hall. Anyone who is will vehemently disagree with his statement regarding the Talge Hall construction, "it hasn't been an inconvenience at all."

First, the construction took away the nearest parking lot to the entrance of the dorm (including the basketball goal and east entrance). We Talge residents were supposedly appeased by being allowed to park in the J Mable Wood hall parking lot. But even this didn't last. One day, without warning, we were told we could no longer park there either—we had to move our cars by the end of the day or get a cute little campus safety ticket.

The saga doesn't end here, though. The construction continued to encroach upon our parking spaces, knocking out the 20 or so next-closest parking spaces. That's when the white line appeared. The white

line to which I'm referring is a line in the parking lot of Mable Wood hall that allows us to once again park our cars in that lot—on the dorm side, of course.

Oh, and I haven't even begun to mention the hike all the way out to University Drive and around the construction just to get in anytime after 11:00. So when the author of "Thumbs up, Thumbs down" gives a thumbs down to students who get ready to leave class just before it's over, I say hey, "I'm just trying to get back to the dorm before dark."

Constant progress? Yes. (even that glorious fence that discourages me from playing foreman.) Quick? Yes. (nearly every day I have a new parking assignment. Only three tickets so far—woo hoo!) Painless? Yes. (I won't try to say my feet hurt after the long hikes every night...) But not an inconvenience? I beg to differ.

—Brian Lauritzen, actual Talge Hall resident

The number of students who don't seem able to let things like mustard and varsity sports go surprises me.

In the Ministry of Healing, page 325, Ellen White says, "Mustard, pepper, spices, pickles, and other things of a like character, irritate the stomach and make the blood feverish and impure." I highly recommend that you read Section XX in Counsels on Diet and Foods, titled, Condiments. Etc. We may like them, but they're not good for us. I know that some students are disappointed to not have the things they want in the café but I would not want to attend a university that caters to the tastes of its less mature students. We all came

here to learn and grow, so we might have to give up some things along the way.

As Christians, we should seek to bring attention to God, not to ourselves. The current system allows more students to participate because students don't have to worry if they're good enough. They can participate if they want to.

Ellen White says the Bible discouraged many of the sports and games of her day as opening "the door to a flood of temptation." Today's sports are not any better.

A competitive spirit is incompatible with the Christian life. God loves every person and as Christians we should want only the best for

all people.

We may say that we just want our team to win, but the other side of that coin is that someone else must lose. We should not be competing against other schools. We shouldn't even be competing against each other.

Let's spend less time whining about what you don't have and be grateful for the things you do have.

Sincerely,
Judy Clippingier,
Freshman English major

* 8T, p. 65. See also 9T, pp. 43 and 89 and Fundamentals of Christian Education, pp. 318-319 and 512.
† 9T, p. 183.

Get out to vote or get out

BRIAN RABUKA
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Well, it's November here in the United States, and a little less than a year from now our country will be having national and local elections. This process is what separates us from every other pathetic excuse of a country that exists around the world. In America we share the awesome privilege of suffrage. Every adult citizen of this land can choose his or her leaders and representatives. This privilege has been defended with the blood of patriots, for it has been under assault since the founding of our nation. We enjoy freedoms and choices that people all

over the world might only have the chance to dream about. It is amazing to me, then, how Americans take voting for granted. We tend to see voting as a right rather than as a privilege earned by the personal sacrifice and courage of others. When election time rolls around, many of us will not even bother to go to the polls. This, in my opinion, is blasphemy to the memory of everyone who has ever died to defend your vote. It doesn't even matter who you vote for; you can vote for the Pinko-Liberals or for the Republicans—it doesn't matter. What does matter is voting, exercising the gift that so

many paid so dearly for. Some say that your vote does not matter, but what they are really saying is that their opinion does not matter and that they are ignorant people. Voting should be as important as saying a prayer of thanksgiving, because every time you do so you are honoring those who made it possible. When it comes to voting, I say, "Get out to vote or get out!" If you don't want to vote, then get out—you don't deserve that chance. It is fortunate that our forefathers had the insight to not follow my opinion. We are all busy people, and have lives full of plans. But let us plan on being at the polls on election day.

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Iran: The silent killing fields

KELLY RAZZOUK
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

As I walked into the lobby of the Al-Khooi Muslim School in Queens, New York last Friday, I gazed up at the inscription over the doorway: "There is no other God but Allah and Muhammad is his messenger." My heart began to beat a little faster as I wondered if I had made as I right decision to accept an invitation to address the students of the school about religious tolerance from a Christian perspective.

I knew, however, that Jesus Christ was not a name that many of the students were familiar with and this was an

opportunity to share Him with them. After saying hello to the principal and some of the teachers, I was asked to put on a hijab (a traditional Muslim shawl to cover the head). I did not know that this would be required of me, and it definitely added to my nervousness, but out of respect for the culture I consented.

I was shown to an assembly hall and I took my seat beside the two other panelists. One was a Jewish woman and the other a Muslim. The three of us represented three different faiths and it was our job to discuss tolerance among the religions. The principal approached me and asked if I

would speak first. I told him that I would and I quickly whispered a prayer to God asking Him to calm my fears.

After the high school students all filled in (girls on one side and guys on the other), I was introduced and I began my speech. I talked about Jesus' compassion for the sick and the way that He fed the hungry. I talked about His love of all people no matter who they were or what they had done. I told the students the story of the woman who was caught in the act of adultery and thrown at Jesus' feet. I told them that Jesus didn't judge her, but loved her. I quoted Bible verses like "love thy neighbor as thy-

self." I incorporated many of the ideas that I got from pastors and friends whom I admire; my parents, Pastor Lonnie Melashenko, Pastor Rapp, my Uncle Anees, and Dr. Thompson all contributed to the ideas I presented.

As I spoke, I was overwhelmed to see the students listening intently. They stopped fidgeting and their eyes were locked on me. At the end of my speech I quoted British Statesman William Ewart Gladstone, who said, "We look forward to the time when the power of love will replace the love of power; only then will

our world know the blessings of peace." When I finished, I was overwhelmed as the students loudly applauded.

I had been very nervous about speaking to an all Muslim audience and presenting Christian ideas, but God opened the door for me and He led me through it. I had met the principal of the school when he brought his students for a tour of the United Nations and weeks later he remembered me and requested that I represent Christianity at this assembly. God continues to open doors for me at the U.N., and I am thankful for His leading.

Students and racism

MARVIN NG
DINWICH COLUMNIST

Racism is one of the more sensitive topics that we try to avoid talking about. It is definitely out there, but we just do not discuss it openly. Although I'm sure that some of you have experienced it directly or indirectly in the past, nothing can really be done about it. I write this article not as an expert on the subject, but based on my own experiences.

One of the reasons that I moved to Southern Adventist University was to escape the so-called "racial segregation" at Andrews University. While I was studying there, the majority of students "hung out" with their own ethnic groups. Being a very diverse school, this created many distinct social groups. Coming from a very international background, I had no prob-

lems making friends in the different groups. What troubled me however, was the friction that frequently occurred between members of different groups. It almost seemed as if the different groups were consciously competing against each other for who-knows-what reason. Even before attending Andrews, I experienced racism. When I was in the Singapore Armed Forces, I was discriminated against because I was not born and raised in Singapore (I was labeled a "banana" - yellow on the outside, but white on the inside). Just because I spoke Mandarin (Chinese) with an accent, I was made fun of. Over here in the States, they call me a fob. What's the deal?

Is there racial discrimination and segregation in Southern? It can't be! I'm sorry to break it to you, but it happens everywhere. Is it due to human conditioning?

Are we so used to people like ourselves that we unknowingly discriminate against people unlike ourselves? I know that it sometimes takes us longer to trust, befriend, and confide in someone who is seemingly different from ourselves. I am sad to say that I, too, am guilty of this kind of discrimination. Does this make me racist? I don't think so. But it does make me lose out on a lot of lifelong friendships that could have been. The next time you look at someone, don't look at their color or at their race. Look into their eyes and remember that we are all sons and daughters of God.

"Ok, who am I kidding? Let me re-word that...." Just because I could barely speak Mandarin, I was made fun of."

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The real meaning of Christmas

JUSTIN KOBYLKA
OPINION EDITOR

Christmas - it's the event that is consuming the interest of the world right now. Decorations are everywhere. There are special Christmas concerts, Christmas church services, Christmas trees for sale on every corner, and of course, there's Christmas shopping. Christmas is without doubt the greatest commercial event of the year. It brings a special joy to the otherwise

dreary month of December: the joyful Christmas spirit. But what is the true meaning of Christmas? Is it just an economic holiday, a big commercial event? In the timeless words of Charlie Brown, repeated in many a heart every holiday season: "Can't somebody tell me the real meaning of Christmas?"

Comes the answer in words plaintive and simple: "And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock

by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were so afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." (Luke 2:8-11)

That's the real meaning of Christmas. It's not about Santa Claus and flying reindeer; it's about the Almighty God and a

host of angels. It's not about cheery carols and Handel's Messiah; it's about the songs of the angel choir and the true Messiah, the Savior of the world. It's not about decorated houses, wreaths, and lights; it's about a plain, bare stable and the light radiating from a star in the East. It's not about gifts and cards; it's about "Unto us a Son is given." (Isa. 9:6) It's not about finding great savings at the mall; it's about Jesus, "for He shall save His people from their sins." (Matt.

1:21) It's not even about family and friends; it's about the Son of God joining the human family so that we can all become the friends - yes, the very children - of God.

As you experience the "Christmas rush" over the next couple weeks, don't forget the true meaning of the holiday - the reason for the season: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." (Luke 2:14) Have a wonderful break and a very Merry Christmas!

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT SPORTS

High steaks for Philly

JEFF LAMBERT
SPORTS REPORTER

The Philadelphia Flyers came into this season with high expectations that they would be one of the top teams in the NHL. Their combination of young All-Stars and seasoned veterans has made them seem like a formidable juggernaut, and so far they have lived up to the hype.

The Flyers have been literally unbeatable this year, as they have opened up a twelve game unbeaten streak that has spanned over almost two months. Their physical, up-tempo offense has over-

whelmed every team they have come up against. They can attribute their success to their top line of all-stars Jeremy Roenick, Mark Recchi, and Tony Amonte, as well as their brick wall defense of Eric Desjardins and Marcus Ragnarsson.

In a league where small, speedy players are taking over the game, these men stand tall with their patient, physical style of play. The Flyers will continue to bash their way through every team they face, and if someone doesn't step up and find a way to stop them, the fans in Philly will be watching their boys hoist the Stanley Cup in celebration next May.

In other news, the Canuck's Markus Naslund was given the Offensive Player of the Week award, scoring three goals and six assists in four road games. He now leads the league with 32 points, and has helped his team post the best record in the Western Conference.

Orlando: now hiring

ETHAN NKANA
SPORTS EDITOR

The Eastern Conference of the NBA is so weak that it sickens me! Only five teams in the Conference are above .500 records and the Philadelphia 76ers (9-16) are on top of the Atlantic Division with a .474 winning percentage!

Now, an interesting paradox is that the Indiana Pacers (15-3) have the League's best record, which they can rightfully attribute to "the Other O'Neal." Jermaine O'Neal has had such an impact on the League that he is arguably the only legitimate Center in the Eastern Conference.

Has anyone heard from Darko Milicic since draft day? It would appear that the second pick in this year's NBA Draft has fallen to the back of the class faster than Portland could get into drug problems this season.

The Nuggets swept the season series against the Cavs, and on Tuesday night Melo outscored LeBron to 10-0. Am I the only person who feels sorry for Tracy McGrady? Arguably the best player in the League, his team has dropped the last 16 games and hasn't won since the season opener. I would advise T Mac to jump ship or force management to bring in some legitimate help.

Dallas is good, but the Lakers are better. I'm out like any recollection of Shawn Kemp.

Bump... Set... Spike...



Photo by Rachel Day

R to L: Judy Sloan blocks a spike by Cassey Wright.

Speed kills...sort of

MARK GUNTHER
STAFF WRITER SPORTS

In team sports, the phrase "Speed Kills" refers to the simple fact that a faster team in a sport will dominate most of the time. And in Men's Volleyball this season, this seems to be the modus operandi. But what if it didn't? What if strong team organization and a big jumping front line of one team negated the speed advantage of an opposing team? The Yellow Jackets (4-0) set to find out if this was true as they took on

the Speed Stars (4-1) in a pivotal Men's 6 Man game on Monday night. Both teams were 1 and 2 in the league and a win for either could shift the balance of power for one team going into the season's finish.

Despite the stellar all around play of Dustin Wing, the Speed Stars seemed sluggish and less organized in the first game than their record would suggest. The Yellow Jackets capitalized on this advantage and attacked the middle of the court with strong shots and good set plays. Adam

Brown contributed to this all around attack with smooth jumping and blocking as the Jackets won 25-10 in game #1.

But the Speed Stars would not be silenced so easily. Their speed, a natural helper, saved them several times as the Yellow Jackets seemed to be getting together even more as a ball club. Wes Easter, in Pyo Hong and the aforementioned Dustin Wing formed a strong setting and serving crew as the Stars attempted to fight back and force a third game. However, their speedy attack was not enough to beat the defined and well coached Yellow Jackets. Brian Niehoff, Nathaniel Reyes and Adam Brown all gave strong contributions as the Jackets held on to win the match with a 25-18 victory in game #2.

Speed really does kill, though often the victim is not intended as the target. The Speed Stars will have to address issues of organization if they want to knock the Yellow Jackets out of the League title.



Clayton Vance's Team G-Funk.

Photo by Rachel Day

Rating system rated

ETHAN NKANA
SPORTS EDITOR

Dr. John Pangman, director of Southern Adventist University's intramural program, introduced a sportsmanship rating system to the university at the beginning of fall semester of 2003.

The sportsmanship rating system was developed by the National Intramural and Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA). The rating system is based on a number scale with ratings ranging from 1 (poor) to 5 (excellent).

There are four methods of sportsmanship ratings and with the method that is used at Southern, the referees rate each team after a contest, and the team captain of each team rates the conduct and performance of the referees.

Despite the rating system being developed by the NIRSA, Pangman says the idea came to him through prayer. "After I prayed about it [the intramural program], the idea of a rating system came to me, [and] although I wasn't aware of the NIRSA's rating system, I found them to be quite similar."

With the sportsmanship rating system, teams are required to have a minimum rating of four to be eligible to participate in the playoff rounds of a sport.

Although no teams have been banned from participating in the playoffs because of poor sportsmanship ratings thus far, some students don't feel as though the rating system is necessary. "I feel that since we got bad ratings, referees looked at us the same way [negatively] all season," said Chris Rafee, sophomore theology major.

Pangman has been pleased with the functionality of the rating system, although its biggest test will come with the start of second semester: "I'm anxious to see how it works in basketball," said Pangman.

Although flaws are apparent in every human-oriented system, the goal of the sportsmanship rating system is to keep students competitive while promoting Christian attitudes and monious with those upheld by the university.



the campus Chatter

Week of: December 11 to December 19

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11

11:00 am Convocation - Clubs, Departments/Schools (Various Locations)
Last day to finalize paperwork for proctoring of final exam(s), Center for Learning Success
Birthdays: Bethel Bogale, Richmond Carter, Jonathon Castells, Justin Moore, Ralph Trecartin

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12

5:30 pm Sunset
8:00 pm Vespers - School of Music Christmas Concert (Church)
Payday
Birthdays: Tiffany Crane, Rob Gammenthaler, Linda Horner, Grace Lim, Jessica Lowe, Alberto Montes, Debbie Nessen, Brittany Ringer, Lisa Rosario, Jonathan Van Arsdaie, Elizabeth Hankins, Carol Harrison, Tim Korson, Fred Turner, Adam Littell

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

6:00 am Soup Kitchen
9:00 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
10:00 am The Third
10:00 am "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
10:00 am "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)
11:30 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
11:40 am The Third Sabbath School (Upstairs Gospel Chapel in Church)
12:30 pm Advent Home
2:20 pm Flag Camp
2:45 pm Shut-in Ministries
3:30 pm School of Music Christmas Concert (Church)
4:00 pm Room in the Inn
Club & Department Christmas Party, Various Times & Locations
Birthdays: Roshan Abel, Alex Dillas, Tara Lewis, Filip Orban, Kristi Rockwell, Nicole Teixeira, Tyson Hall, Beverly Aispuro

Semester Exams (14-17)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

Birthdays: Laura Lucas, Rachel Snider, Cheryl Williams, Cliff Olson, Ken Parsons

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15

9 am - 5 pm Book Buy Back (Campus Shop)
GRE Subject Exam only, Student Center
Birthdays: Denise Gutierrez, Alicia Mathewson, Jonathan Schwer, Ashely Shafer, Luke Fisher, Hendel Butoy, Julie Tillman

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

9 am - 5 pm Book Buy Back (Campus Shop)
11:45 am Tornado Siren Test
Last day to make up Winter & 2003 incompletes
Birthdays: Jessica Fraker, Josh Fraker, Rachelle Joseph, Alicia McKinney, Katie Minner, Andrew Young, Loren Barnhurst, Avionne Frye, Timothy Mitchell

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

9 am - 5 pm Book Buy Back (Campus Shop)
7:00 pm School of Nursing Dedication (Church)
Birthdays: Ireland Burch, Erica Chu, Jenny Forrester, Zofia Mashechak, Hillary Munro, Michelle Shufelt, Jan Hulaska, Joey Giampa

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18

9 am - 5 pm Book Buy Back (Campus Shop)
5:00 pm McKee Library Closes
7:00 pm Winter Commencement (Church)
Birthdays: Jennifer Bigelow, Misha Birnele, Charlene Burt, Roxana Guzman, Natalie Sauza

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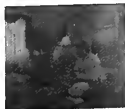
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Weather report, it's cold!!

R. BRYAN STITZER
Humor Editor

Many of you are aware that it is cold, for those of you who are already aware of the current temperatures you need not read on. Now for those of you surprised by this statement let me expound my knowledge for you. You see temperatures in the 50s and below are considered cold. This means it would behoove you to put on coats, long sleeve shirts and most importantly SHOES! The sun is shining much more now than last year however the temperature is still quite cold. I will admit in the "heat" of the day it does get up in to the upper chills. Still I write this so those of you who are out and about in shorts, flip-flops, and T-shirts will know that that nagging discomfort you feel is the cold. It can be eliminated by dressing for the occasion. Should you be confused on when it is warm enough to wear this summer apparel, I would try it in the summer. This public service announcement is brought to you by your friendly neighborhood Floridian.

Some random lists

NATANIEL REYES
Guest Contributor

DISCLAIMER: Warning, for those of you who don't know me, I'm sporean (half Spanish, half Korean). In my world we speak differently and very badly I might say. When you read this I must warn you there will be misplace phrases, grammatical errors. Made up words, and overwhelming sentence that your head might explode. So if you need a translation please feel free to call me at 2530 or find a sporean translator. Thank you and enjoy.

Top list of stuff that I really don't care that I get for Christmas

1. got doggy food for my dog that really not my dog but really the dog that my next door neighbor had for 10 years but I stole when I was a little kid
2. 12 pair of underwear that adds to my 56 pairs of underwear that I get for Christmas
3. a chris pet that was defected (which was why the person got the present cause it saved 50 cents on it) and there was no seeds but really jumping Mexican beans
4. a postcard of a tropical place that I really wanted to go but got the postcard instead to make me think I'm there but I'm still here
5. getting a toothbrush to add my collection of already 4 toothbrushes with the

mouthwash that I haven't used in 3 years
6. getting a video of yourself when you were a kid and showing how you were going to bathroom and how to put on clothes (very scary moment)

7. a britney spears video game for my xbox although I have a gamecube

8. getting a diet program that I probably won't use and used at paper weight

9. getting the whole set of my little ponies although I'm a 23 year old man
10. getting a sing along of Barney-n-friends showing you that your in a friend in need

11. getting a tie that really doesn't match to any of my clothes except for the furnace in which I will BURN IT

Things you wouldn't want to hear from Santa

1. YES! Yes I have taken some medical classes before
2. Sure Billy go ahead and ride the sleigh. You don't have to be that tall any ways
3. FANCY MOSES who laid the egg in this room?
4. Sure I know nuclear science isn't that Bill Nye the science guy right?
5. When the baby ducky to a woman that really isn't pregnant.

Editors Note: This was proof read by Nataniel himself!

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT THREE A.M.

ROBERT JACOBSON
Humor Columnist

Last year when I went to the Christmas tree lighting, Santa beamed me in the melon with a piece of hard candy. The tragic part is that some recklessly scrambling child, obviously under the intoxicating influence of ADHD, snatched the offending piece of candy before I had a chance to pick it up off the ground. My vengeance on the candy went unfulfilled. Ever since that night I've sought the next best thing: vengeance on the rotund Southern professor that was Santa that fateful eve. Only I don't know which rotund professor it was, and considering the average person gains ten pounds over the holidays my list of suspects is about to grow even longer.

I need to stop before Christ Bradley thinks it's make-fun-of-your-professor's-awkward-physical-feature day. Maybe if Santa had thrown a candy cane I would have had my skull punctured by 2000% of my recommended daily allowance of complex carbohydrates. But maybe the doctors were too afraid to try to remove it because it

was stuck in my brain, and I have to learn to live with a shepherd-hook shaped protrusion out of my head, like, for example, by learning to sleep on my side, and I have to get hats specially made with cane-holes. It wouldn't be so bad, though, cause I could do all kinds of stuff other people couldn't. For instance, I wouldn't have to use those hooks in the bathroom stalls to hang my book bag and coat up anything I could, like, get special more, and I could, like, get special attachments for reading in the dark, or a cup holder attachment for those times when there just isn't any more room on my desk and I need my hands for typing.

In fact, the more I think about it the more it sounds like the perfect Christmas gift. And who else should have given it but Santa? But no, instead he throws a striking red-hot, the spheroidal shape of which causes severe pain without any of the many benefits of an embedded holiday snack.

Insightful insights

by Jon Palmer

Santa... and his army of Ninja elves frighten the little woodland creatures living in my underwear drawer... Oh by the way the woodland creature's said to say Merry Christmas.

Claypot gives Jugghead his Christmas gift...



Merry Christmas from the Ducks (and Justin)! Be sure to shop safely and wisely this Christmas and remember the true meaning of the holiday!

by Justin Jarvis

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Save the elves

BY DEEP STOCKING
Humor Editor

There is a problem in this country today. I see dark sinister side to the Christmas Season, legalized and socially condoned slavery. The indigenous people of the north pole or "Elves," are routinely exploited for sweat shop labor. They are often portrayed as less then human or simply as little helpers as if they had no needs or wants of their own. Many of these "elves" have never been outside the north pole. Hollywood and the movies have perpetuated the stereotype for years. But this year I was glad to see a movie about an elf that escapes. Such abolitionist films often don't do well but America seems ready to embrace the native north poleians as people.

People often don't understand the adverse conditions these poor little people have to work under. Forced to listen to and sing songs extolling the benevolence and omnipotence of their slave master Santa, they work in freezing conditions with no more than a pair of tights and small snack to keep them warm. Their growth is stunted by a diet consisting of solely candy canes and a sugar plum pudding. These so called "elves" are forced to take care of the reindeer that are also being held captive in the north pole.

So what can you do to help the poor starving vertically challenged round ear deficient peoples of the north pole? Join the underground candy cane railroad. People who put excessive amounts of decorations outside their home. I mean so much stuff that even the most festive of people is like "eww." I'm not actually tactless morons with too much time and money on their hands but in fact members of the underground candy cane railroad. We liberate as many as two polarindians every year. Though it is a difficult haul and crossing the Canadian border can get dicey. We keep going and our numbers only grow larger.

Join together and boycott Santa and his ill gotten presents. For only when we stand together will these poor gnome-like peoples ever be saved.

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Southern Carton Industry to close

DON CANTRELL
News Editor

In a move affecting approximately forty student employees, Southern is discontinuing operation of its carton industry.

According to a memo released by Rob Howell, P.R. Director, the decision to close the carton industry was made after its only customer, McKee Foods Corporation, announced that it would no longer be using the containers the Carton Industry produces.

McKee cited the high carton cost and damage to their products as reasons for seeking alternatives to the Carton Industry boxes.

Southern and McKee have an arrangement which prevents a sudden loss of industry jobs by creating a 18-month prior notice agreement, which would apply to the Carton Industry. Howell wrote that this pre-termination period could be shortened to allow the closure of the Carton Industry at the end of the current school year.

Southern is already working with McKee on ways to replace the lost jobs, which according to Howell, might even include the creation of a new industry.



Photo by Jason Fedusenko
A Southern student works at the Southern Carton Industry.



Photo by Nathan Zinner

Zadok Calkins and Ben Cruz rejoice after Thomas Wentworth handed Ben keys to a 1991 Mercury Sable at the Mid Winter Party Saturday night. The 420 auction bucks for the car was pooled by a team of 8 including Zadok Calkins, Ben Cruz, Tonya Tuell, Melody and Robin George, Ryan Van Lanen, Brandon Palmer, and Chris Keppia Rodriguez. Over 36 prizes totaling around \$1,500 were awarded and varied from sports and entertainment equipment to everyday appliances.

Village Market robbed

DON CANTRELL
News Editor

The Village Market has upgraded security including the purchase of a new safe after a burglary over Christmas Break.

After the Christmas Eve robbery, more than \$10,000 was discovered missing, said Dale Bidwell, Vice President of Financial Administration.

VM manager Jim Burrus went to check the freezers Christmas morning, "only to discover slit bank deposit bags on the floor with rolls of coins, papers, departmental charges, et cetera. Campus Safety and the

Collegeedale Police were immediately called," Bidwell said.

The safe that contained the stolen money was damaged beyond repair and was replaced. The thief was not able to open a second, larger safe, which had it's handle broken off. It was repaired and is still in use.

Bidwell said there were no apparent signs of a forced entry to the building. Exactly how the burglar got into the building has yet to be determined.

The VM has what Bidwell describes as "a less than adequate security system," comprised of very limited video monitoring from Campus Safety.



Photo by Jason Fedusenko
The safe cracked on Christmas Eve.

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Photo by Juleka Smith

Jonathan Bray, 4, launches a remote control boat in a water exhibit for Camp Alamisco during Summer Ministries Recruiting on Monday at Wright Hall. His father, Eric Bray, has been Camp Ranger for two years at Camp Alamisco in east-Alabama.

"An injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere"
-Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

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Photo by Laura Gates

11. Jason Humble, an officer with the Marine Corp selection office based in Nashville, TN, commissions Second Lt. Tim Shives into the U.S. Marine Corps as a Second Lt. over Christmas break. Shives, who last semester graduated with a degree in History, was enrolled in the Marine Corp Platoon Leaders Class, which allows participants to enter the Marine's as officers upon completion of college. Shives is the first Southern student to complete the Marine Corp PLC program.

Thatcher South fire

DON CANTRELL
News Editor

Tri-Community volunteer fire fighters responded to a small dorm room fire Thursday evening, Jan 8.

The fire flared up in Matt Blair's Thatcher South room while he was cooking over the stove's camping stove. The stove's small flame grew out of Blair's control after it fed on spilled cooking fuel.

Blair's hand was badly burned during his attempts to extinguish the flames.

Southern's policy on infractions to its fire code are stated in the handbook as "stiff penalties, including fines of up to \$200 and/or suspension."



Photo by Tim Davis

The sink in the corner of room 204 is where the fire was finally extinguished.

Non-profit students learn from the pros

KATHERINE SOUCHET

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF AMERICAN HUMANITIES

American Humanities (AH) seniors from Southern were among 800 students, faculty and national nonprofit executives attending the 2004 American Humanities Management Institute (AHMI) in Kansas City, MO on January 2-5. Michelle Shufelt, Eric Ewing, and Anthony Vera Cruz spent three days attending educational workshops, networking with peers from across the United States, and interviewing for positions in leading national nonprofit organizations.

"You could feel the energy in the banquet hall—being surrounded by students and professionals who are making a difference everyday," said Shufelt, a nonprofit administration and development major.

The yearly management institute is an educational symposium for college juniors and seniors enrolled in the American Humanities nonprofit program. Held by the National American Humanities office every year, the conference is required for certification and provides students with a professional experience before graduating.

"These students are the new generation of civic and nonprofit leaders," says Kala Stroup, president of American Humanities, Inc. "It is our job to present three full days of quality content, leadership development, promise and opportu-

nity to ensure their success."

Many firsts were experienced at AHMI 2004. Among these was collaboration with the American Assembly aimed at involving tomorrow's leaders in today's public policy matters. Launching the first National College Dialogue Series, students participated in a unique four-hour discussion on the issue of "Strengthening All Families." American Humanities students made recommendations on a variety of topics affecting today's families including business, community and economic development, culture and immigration, education, government, social justice and quality of life. The goal in this partnership was to position young leaders as critical thinkers and citizens who have a voice in policy, and will result in a published report by the American Assembly. For the first time, expert opinions on public policy issues will be accompanied by recommendations from future leaders.

Other firsts included partnerships with the Points of Light Foundation, an organization that funds volunteer centers throughout the United States, and Outreach International, an organization which helps disadvantaged people across the world to help themselves through poverty relief and education. These partnerships will offer a national network for civic engagement as well as international service opportunities for students.

In addition, students participated in



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Eric Ewing, Kathy Souchet, Mrs. Ball, Michelle Shufelt, and Anthony Vera Cruz were among the American Humanities seniors and instructors at the 2004 convention.

workshops on a variety of management, communication, and professional development activities. Topics ranged from "Crisis Management: Leading When the Going Gets Tough" to "Interview Skills: Sealing the Deal." In addition to attending workshops, students were involved in an intensive half-day case study. Working in pre-assigned groups, these future managers simulated a merger of two nonprofit organizations. Following a working lunch, presentations were made by each group, and winners of the most successful managers were recognized at a closing banquet.

"It was a challenge to work together to

get the merger completed in time," said Ewing, a nonprofit administration and development major. "I think that my group learned a lot about communication and compromise!"

The conference ended with Placement Day, an opportunity for current undergrads and recent graduates to interview for actual jobs and internships with national non-profits.

"The conference reaffirmed my commitment to work in the nonprofit sector," said Shufelt. "With the opportunities American Humanities provides, I'm sure that I will soon be in the position to really change lives!"

Ingram Hill to play at Rhythm and Brews

TRACY BLACKBURN
Kris Farrington
Press Release

Touring powerhouse Ingram Hill begins another year on the road supporting its record debut, "June's Picture Show," to be released nationwide February 24. You can get a sneak preview of the album when Ingram Hill performs a show at Rhythm and Brews, 221 Market Street, on Wednesday, January 21.

Adelayda headlines. Doors open at 9 p.m. and admission is 96 cents.

Ingram Hill has built a solid reputation as a live act, having played over 200 shows in 2003 alone. Formed in the summer of 2000, Ingram Hill is Justin Moore (vocals/guitar), Phil Bogard (guitar), Shes Sowell (bass/vocals), and Matt Chambliss (drums). The 23-year-olds initially met at the University of Memphis where Moore and Chambliss were attending on full scholarships.

Produced at Tree Recording in

Atlanta, June's Picture Show is comprised of a dozen songs ranging in style from pop sing-alongs like the indelible "The Captain," to the moody and atmospheric as on "To Your Grave," a tune that strays from the group's usual upbeat radio-ready rock.

Other highlights include new versions of crowd favorites, "Almost Perfect" and "Will I Ever Make It Home." Both songs appeared on Ingram Hill's debut, *Until Now* (2002) which soared to #5 on the retail charts in their

hometown of Memphis, TN and has sold more than 10,000 units. The band's popularity owes much to its band members' road warrior ethos which is entrenched in winning fans at a show-by-show basis.

For additional information about the concert, call the venue at 423-267-4545 or visit www.rhythm-and-brews.com, or visit www.ingramhill.com for more information on Ingram Hill contact HoopLA Media and Public Relations or log on to www.ingramhillmusic.com.

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

Climbing at Sunset Rock: SAU earns bad reputation

TIM HINK
Guest Contributor

Rock climbing has exploded in popularity in the past ten years and evidence of this phenomenon can be seen all over Southern's campus. I am amazed every time I see carabiners dangling from backpacks and belt loops, or when another SUV drives by covered in climbing stickers. One day you will see a caravan of climbers headed for T.B.A. (the local climbing gym), and the next day a group will be heading out to the rocks for a quick, after-school session. Then, the place that SAU climbers choose in which to hang up their climbing ropes is Sunset Rock on Lookout Mountain, Chattanooga.

Sunset Rock is an important and cherished public park for hundreds of people in the Chattanooga area. Its historical significance attracts Civil War buffs, its amazing trail system is important to run-

ners, and it is important to many climbers who, like me, first tied on a rope beneath its sandstone walls. But Sunset Rock is not only loved; it is also endangered. Access to climb at Sunset Rock has been off and on for decades, but a recent climbing management plan has allowed for climbing under certain circumstances.

Unfortunately, many SAU students are not aware that the climbing situation at Sunset is precarious and have chosen to break the rules implemented by the park service. The problem has gotten so bad lately that the rangers have concluded that SAU students are the most disrespectful and dangerous climbers who visit the park. I have received calls from several dedicated, long-time local climbers who have asked me to address this issue.

These are the conditions under which anyone may climb at Sunset Rock:

-The posted park closing

time is when you must leave the parking lot.

-Do not disrespect the rangers (several of these rangers are climbers who have been working to secure climbing access to Sunset for longer than you have been alive)

-Do not visit Sunset in large groups (ten or more).

-Do not park in unauthorized areas or in the "hour parking" (if the lot is full, drive back down the mountain about 1 mile to the ball field and park there)

-Please use quickdraws/carabiners when top-roping; do not put your rope directly through the anchors!

These are good rules to follow wherever you climb, and breaking these rules puts our privilege to climb in jeopardy. Climbing is more than a sport; it is a lifestyle and an attitude. Climbers are people who respect nature and treat its caretakers with that same respect.

Sand Hill cranes on view through February

MEIGS COUNTY TOURISM

CONTRIBUTOR

BIRCHWOOD, TN - The 12th Annual Cherokee Indian Heritage and Sand Hill Crane Viewing Days will be held with special programs on Saturday, February 7 in the Birchwood School, and crane viewing will take place Saturday and Sunday, February 7 and 8 at the nearby Hiwassee Wildlife Refuge.

Nature lovers and bird-watchers from near and far gather annually in Southeast Tennessee to witness one of nature's most wondrous sights - the spectacular viewing of thousands of Sand Hill Cranes, both Bald and Golden Eagles, and other wildlife.

This year, the Hiwassee Wildlife Refuge has again played a vital role as a refuge for the new population of migratory Whooping Cranes. Last year, the Whooping Cranes, which stand five feet tall and have a wingspread of up to eight feet, migrated to Southeast Tennessee in two ways: 21 Whooping Cranes migrated on their own and 16 were trained to follow an ultra light plane in order to learn the same route.

Visitors don't have to wait until the special weekend events in February to view the birds, however. They started arriving in October, and their numbers increased through November and December. January is the perfect time to view the birds, as their numbers, which are dependent upon available food, will peak this month.

bird-watchers can find the cranes scattered during the day in surrounding fields, particularly at the main viewing site within the refuge. At night, the birds primarily roost on nearby Hiwassee Island.

Because of the unique combination of archeology, history and wildlife in the area, the first weekend in February is set aside each year for experts to present their knowledge in programs held at the Birchwood School. These events are free to the public, and all areas are handicap accessible.

For more information, contact Meigs County Tourism at 423/344-5850. For specific program information, call Ken Dubke, Event Coordinator at 423/499-3584.

THE MID WINTER PARTY

Photos by Nathan Zinner

Southern students enjoy themselves at many of the activities available during this year's Mid Winter Party.



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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT RELIGION

A New Year's guide to Ministries

SEAN REED
RELIGION EDITOR

Southern is blessed to have a variety of opportunities for involvement in ministry and outreach. Here in the Winter Semester Ministry Guide you will find many of the student-led ministries that exist here at Southern (there are a number of ministries not included in this guide—contact Campus Ministries for information regarding additional ministries). God has gifted each of us in different ways; God has gifted us to share His love with others. Please carefully look through this guide and seek to discover a ministry with which you can get involved. Some ministries take very little time or commitment, others take a fair level of commitment and time. Regardless of your schedule, talents, gifts, abilities, or shortcomings, God has special ministry opportunity just for you.

FLAG Camp

Flag Camp stands for Fun Learning About God. FLAG Camp is a ministry for children who live in downtown Chattanooga. One Sabbath afternoon a month we take a few vans down to Eastlake Courts. We play games with the children, sing songs, make crafts, and tell stories. The kids become instant friends. Many of these children have a difficult home life and really appreciate someone to give them attention. They really need positive role models. Showing them God's love through our words and actions is really exciting. We leave selected Sabbath afternoons at 2:20 from the front of Wright Hall and return between 5:00 and 5:30 (Jan. 24, Feb. 21, March 20, and April 17 are tentative dates).

Want to get involved?
Contact Adam Williams at alwillia@southern.edu or 1707.

Cell Groups

Cell Groups is a ministry that is designed to bring people together to fellowship, worship, pray and study the Bible with one another. Cell Groups

is comprised of small groups that meet once a week with the intent of encouraging one another in their daily walk with Christ and everyday challenges. Having the opportunity to fellowship and learn more about God with friends is a great way to grow closer to the Lord and share the joy and hope that He can bring us. Small groups are meeting throughout campus and new ones are being started. This is a wonderful way to meet people and to worship the Lord together.

Want to get involved?
Contact Christine Jensen at cjensen@southern.edu or 1624.

Dorm Ministry

Dorm Ministry is a brand-new program this school year and is the very first campus ministry to make its way into the dorms of Southern. Volunteer students go door-to-door in the dorms to visit and pray with the residents. Designated hall leaders pray for each person on the hall, encourage involvement in ministry and link halls together with a spiritual bond.

If you would like to be involved in a ministry that personally touches people in an extreme way, join the volunteers of Dorm Ministry.

Want to get involved?
Contact Nissa Haugen at 2271 or Campus Ministries at 2787.

Small Groups

With crazy schedules and home churches far away, connecting spiritually with others can be surprisingly difficult—even on a Christian campus. Small Groups Ministries seeks to fill this need in the lives of the university students. What workshops and personal devotions are unable to offer, a small group Bible study or prayer meeting can. Small groups consist of approximately 3-12 people who come together for spiritual enrichment. This enrichment may include time devoted especially to Bible study, prayer, socialization, service or a discussion topic approached in a Scriptural way. In the past,



The completely redesigned Campus Ministries website is the place to go for information regarding missions, creative ministries, wellness, and Destiny Drama Company. The address is Chaplain.southern.edu.

small groups have focused on a particular book of the Bible (such as Ephesians), common interests (like world religions), topical study (such as psychology and the Bible) and sometimes something as simple and powerful as prayer. One of the best things about small groups is that they are very flexible. They vary in size, length, content and topic. There is no limit to the variety of small groups. Small Groups Ministries is a wonderful way to get involved. Interested in attending or creating a small group, or desire more information?

Want to get involved?
Contact Josh (at joshua@southern.edu or 2536) or Kessia (at kessia@southern.edu or 2367).

the WORSHIP

Each Wednesday night at 8:30, students meet in Lynnwood Hall for "the WORSHIP." This is a time of heartfelt praise and worship, testimony, prayer, and inspired speaking. All are invited to join in worshipping our God. The program begins in the evening at 8:30 and ends at 9:00. When the meeting is over, many of those who attend head over to the respective dorms to divide up into doors and pray with the student occupants. It has been amazing to see how the Lord has led in "the WORSHIP." Please come and worship with us on Wednesday night.

Want to get involved? Drop by Lynn Wood Hall at 8:30 on Wednesday evening.

Something Else Sabbath School

Something Else is a Sabbath School, which meets in the TV Room of Thatcher South. If singing hymns and participating in student lead discussions of the adult Sabbath school lesson sound like your idea of a good Sabbath, then come visit us at 10:00 next Sabbath morning.

Want to get involved? Come to the TV Room of Thatcher South Sabbath morning at 10.

Clown Ministries

Clown Ministries is a fun, creative way to share God's love to others in a non-threatening way. Once a month, a group of students dress up as clowns and go out into the community. We do not preach or hold Bible studies. We do pray, however, that people will see God's love through us. This year we have gone to visit the children at Room in the Inn and residents at several nursing homes in the area. No talent is needed to join Clown Ministries, just a genuine love for people.

Want to get involved?
Contact Crystal Lawson (at 2346) or Tonya Tuell (at 396-4905).

Student Center Sabbath School

Join the Student Center Sabbath School as we explore the Bible and allow it to transform your life as you gain a clearer knowledge of God. This Bible-based

Sabbath School uses no lesson studies or quarterlies, but instead jumps straight into the Bible to study topics relevant to your everyday life. We are currently working our way through Acts on a chapter-by-chapter study, encountering the trials and triumphs of the early church as we do so. Discover the powerful role the Holy Spirit played in the lives of these men and women and realize that He wants to do the same in your life.

The Student Center Sabbath School begins with an uplifting song service followed by a special music. An inspiring introduction is used to introduce the topic for study. Then comes everyone's favorite part: dividing into small groups to study the Bible.

Want to get involved? Come to the Student Center Sabbath School morning at 9:50 (Sabbath school is from 9:50-11:00).

Room in the Inn

The Room in the Inn Ministry allows students the opportunity to reach out to women at a downtown Chattanooga shelter on the second Sabbath of each month. Food is prepared and carried to the ladies who are placed on the outside. Apart from physically feeding the women, we often prepare spiritual feast as well. This

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may include leaving them with a small devotional, singing a few songs with which the women are familiar, from them. This ministry is a great opportunity to share God's love to the women and their children, any who are seeking to find meaning in their lives. Because of the small size of the shelter, the group that participates is limited to five students at a time.

Want to get involved? Contact Lerone Allen at allene@southern.edu or 2346.

NOW Ministries

NOW Ministries is a service-based ministry that focuses on spreading the Word of God to churches and communities through the vibrant spirit of the youth that live in His presence. We believe that NOW is the time to show people Christ through music, drama, the spoken word, and the simple service of community outreach. Our team travels to churches near and far to put on full church services, which include song services, drama presentations, special music, and the spoken word. Each presentation runs along a common theme so the congregation has an opportunity to see the same message through three different mediums. Our goal is for each person to connect with the message in a new and unique way. If being part of a full church service is not your cup of tea, then you can get involved through the community outreach activities that we coordinate on a regular basis. We hope that through our ministry you will be able to find God in a whole new way. We have events that happen throughout the school year which are advertised with postings that you will not miss.

Want to get involved? Contact Eva Cruz at [\[istries@juno.com\]\(mailto:istries@juno.com\) or 2412.](mailto:nwminn@</p>
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Shut-in Ministries

Shut-in Ministries is a great ministry for those who are good at talking with older people, shy away from big groups, or just like visiting with people in general. We split into small groups and visit those in the community who cannot get out of their homes very often because of their age and/or illness. We have in the past taken them bread, poinsettias, and sung their favorite hymns. It is really rewarding to see how happy they are to have you visit.

Want to get involved? Contact Stephanie Doud at sdoud@southern.edu or 596-7557.

SICK Ministry

When you have a friend and roommate who is ailing, e-mail SICK Ministry (SICK is an acronym for Serving In Christ Kindness). They will check up on your friend and send a Bounce Back Pack to your ailing friend.

Want to get involved? Let SICK Ministry know when you have an ailing friend or roommate by e-mailing them at sick-at-sau@yahoo.com.

Street Ministries

Street Ministries is pretty self-explanatory. We go out onto the streets of Chattanooga and minister to the people in the community. We go into the neighborhoods and government projects/housing developments and give people free copies of Steps to Christ. We also offer them prayer and a quick Bible study if they are interested. If they want further study or are interested in coming to church, we give them the school's name and number so that they can get more information. Chattanooga has so many people that are just waiting and searching for some sign of the

truth. Many will invite you into their homes and try to give you food and drinks. You will probably have people thanking you for just coming by and people praying with you (which is my favorite!) and sometimes you will even get those people that are just touched that you would take the afternoon to come and tell them about Jesus that they will even cry and keep hugging you and thanking you and telling you how awesome it was that there are people out there who really do still care for others.

Want to get involved? Meet on the steps of Wright Hall at 2:00 in the afternoon on announced Sabbaths (generally goes out two Sabbaths a month).

12:00 Prayer

At 12:00 Prayer we simply meet together Monday through Friday at 12:00 on the steps of Lynn Wood Hall. We pray for each other, we pray for our families and we pray for the Holy Spirit. Come and join us. If you have any questions, need someone to pray with or would like to start your own prayer group, please contact Reed Richards.

Want to get involved? Meet Monday-Friday at 12:00 on the steps of Lynn Wood Hall. Contact Reed Richards at 1707 for more information.

Church Connections

Campus Ministries is working this year to connect students to the local church. Our goal is to help connect you with a church where you feel appreciated and part of what is going on. We understand that part of college is chatting with your friends and visiting a variety of churches—you are going places and doing various things and you do not necessarily want to be or just taking prayer requests.

tied down. You might also, however, crave fellowship, friends, and spiritual growth. We do not know how to balance

everything, but we want to give you the best we can in connecting you to a local church.

Now we are talking to pastors, talking to students, and praying. We are searching for a way to effectively connect you to a local church. We want you to feel valued and involved.

Want to get involved? Call Campus Ministries at 2787.

Sabbath Afternoon Activities

This is a new ministry this semester. We want to be able to provide interesting things that you and your friends can be involved in on Sabbath such as hiking and massive praise services. If you have any ideas please share them with us. Watch for announcements about activities.

Want to get involved? Call Campus Ministries at 2787.

Students blessed at GYC

MICHELLE DOUCOUMES
Guest Columnist

Do you ever feel spiritually stuck? Do you want to be on fire for Christ, but you just don't feel it? Somehow it is so easy to stay floundering around in some giant, grimy rut. Stuck. That is how I felt before attending the General Youth Conference (GYC). Now something has changed and I just have to tell you about it.

To state the facts, GYC is an annual gathering of youth and young adults from all over the United States and other countries too. This year's conference was held December 17-21 in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Registration filled up early as 800 young people from a wide variety of backgrounds and schools, including a small handful of us from here at Southern, flocked in.

Our schedule was packed powerful seminars, meetings and speakers. Seminar options were plentiful and included topics such as "How to Study Your Bible," "Finding God's Will for Your Life," "Church Missions and Opportunities," and "Challenge to Young People."

When not in seminars, we all came together to hear speakers such as David Ascherick, Randy Skeete, Jay Gallimore, Louis Torres, and David Williams, just to name a few.

"Higher Than the Highest" was the theme this year, and the theme fit Southern freshman

Prison Ministry

Many have not heard about Southern's prison ministry. Although we have not been able to do everything we planned, we know that God will bless us as we write to the inmates, pray with them, or spend time with their families. In December a small group of us joined with Prison Prevention Ministry and participated in the Christmas Angel Program. We don't know for sure what the future holds for Prison Ministry, but we hope for many more opportunities to reach out to prisoners. God has a plan for this ministry—please pray for this ministry during this semester.

Want to get involved? Call Campus Ministries at 2787.

NOTE: The above ministry descriptions were written by the respective ministry leaders. We thank each leader for his or her cooperation in producing this guide.

Laura Ahlberg said, "The thing that impressed me the most at the GYC was the unity of purpose among such a diverse group of youth. Everyone was there to learn to reach higher than the highest for God." Aaron McNulty, junior accounting major, said, "I found this conference to be very inspiring. There were practical seminars that dealt with how to grow as a Christian Adventist." GYC is about reaching higher to become an army of youth, rightly trained, to spread the God's word. In light of this objective, both overseas and domestic missions were stressed.

But whether you feel called overseas or not, Pastor David Ascherick challenged us to "Stir what's got." It is time for us to stop making excuses and do what we can, where we are, right now. "The enemy of present action is often future ambition," said Ascherick.

And there was much more. An article doesn't seem capable of capturing the spirit at GYC. How else do you explain happenings like the 20+ unplanned baptisms in the hot pool? But for me personally, there is an even more amazing part: GYC did not merely give me an emotional fire that died off afterward and set me back in that same rut I kept mucking around in before. Yes, I found fire, but I also found training, confidence, and inspiration. I can, must, and will go and use that fire.

Church Schedule

For Sabbath January 17, 2004

Church	Service	Time
Chattanooga First Church	-	9:45 & 11:00
Collegedale Church	-	9:00 & 11:30
Korean Youth Church	-	11:00
Spanish-American Church	-	9:00 - 11:45
Hamilton Community Church	-	11:30 AM
McDonald Road Church	-	8:50 & 11:25
The Third	-	10:00

To have your church included in the weekly church schedule, e-mail seanreed@southern.edu.

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OPINION

Letters To the Editor

Dear Editor,
Financial aid at this university is virtually non-existent. After reading an article of Justin Kobylka's on the opinion page stating that the people at the financial aid office are so helpful, I just have to snicker a bit [and now that I've offended the money people I will probably never get financial aid again!].

While filling out a Princeton Review Survey of Southern, a question was asked how much financial aid is available to students. I was inclined to circle "it sucks" rather than the "nirvana" option.

Your value as a student at this institution decreases over time. My freshman year I received a small sum of money from the school, which accounted for approximately 20 percent of my school bill. Now that I'm a sophomore, my aid has decreased to 12 percent.

Last year I spent a large

chunk of my time attempting to fill out the [worthless] collection of random questions called the FAFSA. When my results came back with the figure \$12,260, I was ecstatic. I asked my financial aid counselor if this was for real and she assured me it was. "Who says they don't give financial aid at Southern?" I asked myself.

Of course, what I wasn't told is that the FAFSA doesn't signify how much money you get from the school; it instead reports what the school estimates your parents can give to you. I don't need to tell me that! My father felt his need to support his children stopped with child support a year ago, and my mother's finances are so messed up that she couldn't help me if she tried.

So that left me with the \$3,000 I had earned from my summer job to pay for Southern (you do the math—that's not enough). I called the

financial aid counselors to see if there was any way I could get more money.

Basically they told me that you either have to be abandoned or abused [later that evening, I asked my mother to throw me down a flight of stairs just so I could try to score some cash from the school; however, she refused].

The only reason I am here today is because of some financial miracles [anonymous donors not from this institution] orchestrated by God on my behalf. It's a shame that some deserving students [I know I'm not the only person with financial problems on this campus] cannot attend this school because of financial issues. Now I am facing the decision [again] of going to a public university next year, simply because of my financial situation.

Oh, but cheer, cheer! Come January I'll be a junior and the financial aid office has told me that they'll increase my loans by \$2,000! Isn't that great?

Sincerely,
Jessica Rivera

Would you like to make
a bundle of money?
Contact the Accent
office to find out how.

Dear Editors,

The November 12, 2003, issue of the Southern Accent erroneously quoted me in the article, "Retention Committee in Action." The national dropout rate for freshmen is not 53 percent as stated in the article. The national freshmen attrition rate ranges between 25 and 30 percent, depending upon institutional type — two-year, four-year, public, or private. We compare favorably with national norms; however, we are continually striving to help our students reach their college goals and experience success, whether here or at another institution. The life of every student is valuable, and the period that they are here at Southern represents the

prime time of their life. The research literature points to the first year of college as one of the most critical junctures in one's life, providing the foundation not only for the remainder of the college career but for the rest of one's life. We here at Southern are planning some major initiatives to strengthen the freshmen year experience. The president has appointed a Task Force to begin developing a First-Year Experience, an exciting venture that will greatly benefit our freshmen.

The Accent staff is to be commended for the fine paper we enjoy each week.

Dr. Ruth Wang Liu, Ed.D.
Director, Institutional
Research and Planning

Dear Editor,
At the invitation of our daughter, my husband and I attended the worship service in Ackerman Auditorium today and so enjoyed the service. Not only was the Improv Worship a blessing for us "visuals," but also we were impressed anew with the caliber of students on our SAU campus. Because of our duties in the main sanctuary, we were a little late in arriving. We had barely squeezed into the rear of the auditorium, content to stand throughout the service as many couples had to do, when a young couple offered up their seats for us and took our place with

those standing. In this day and age, such manners are a rarity! I am sure we would have enjoyed the service regardless, but this demonstration of Christian character contributed significantly to what will be a long remembered experience for us both. It is for both the excellence in presentation of Christian principles and the association with those that implement those ideals that we sacrifice financially each month so our children can attend Southern. Thank you Michael (I think) and the young lady with you.

Sincerely,
Cindy Clifford
Parent

JUSTIN KOBYLKA
OPINION COLUMNIST

What would you do with \$160 million? Last week's soap opera in the Mega Millions jackpot got me thinking about what people are willing to do to get money in this case, lots of it.

Elecia Battle claimed last week that she purchased the winning ticket but lost it before the numbers were chosen. After a heart-tugging announcement, and a few days of legal wrangling, Battle admitted that she had fabricated the entire story because she "wanted to win."

As a Southern student I can safely say that most of us do not have much discretionary cash, if any. This comes from giving thousands of dollars toward tuition each semester plus paying for living costs on what is often a minimum wage salary.

Ideally our college income is

an investment into our future jobs that can easily pay back what we have spent and borrowed (especially for you future doctors).

Jesus said that the "love of money is the root of all evil." I must say that he was certainly correct. It seems that most social and physical problems of this earth can be traced back to someone who is trying to amass personal wealth. Those who gain wealth through ingenuity benefit others while those who do it by fraud and deceit drain the life out of an economy and those who depend on it.

Curse it what makes this world and heaven so different from each other. The inhabitants of earth ultimately worship the almighty Dollar (or Yen, or Euro...) while the currency of heaven is love. (Which I hear is traded heavily on most days.)

Jesus' life on earth gave good

example of the value of money. He spent nothing on property or fame, but regularly invested in the lives of people and the return on his capital can still be seen in the lives of Christians around the world.

How many lives can be touched and changed by one person who chooses to invest in his or her money on a share of heaven? It is really impossible to tell how far reaching the effects will be, but the value of one life will make their investment well beyond their wildest dreams.

Ultimately money and everything it can buy will fade away. An IRA or 401k will only get you a few dollars when you are walking the shining river and we won't be searching the newspapers to find the value of gold. In fact there will be little show of individual wealth. Only the stars our crowns will tell how well spent.



Photo by Jacqui Stealey
Walla Walla students perform Improv Church to a jam-packed Ackerman Auditorium on Sabbath afternoon.

Correction:

The article entitled "A modern day parable," published in the November 21 issue of the Accent, was incorrectly attributed. The article should have been attributed to Judy Chippinger. The Accent apologizes for any misunderstanding this may have caused.

Become all things to all men

MATTHEW LUCIO
Guest Contributor

And to the Jews I became as Jew, that I might win Jews; to those who are under the law, as under the law, that I might win those who are under the law." This was the principle used to win at vespers Jan. 9th by Pastor Karl Haffner to justify his improvisation comedy ministry at Walla Walla College last weekend. Rightfully, he concluded that it is necessary for the church to adapt certain methods of outreach to better reach the world. Some methods aren't as effective with young people as they used to be, and so the church must be ready to use new tools to impact the hearts and minds of an ever-wandering culture. Here's the question: Is improv a good tool to reach people?

To say that the Bible supports improv, as a ministry in 1 Cor. 9:20 on the basis of Paul claiming to become "a Jew" to "win Jews" is stretching it. Do we become prostitutes to reach prostitutes or drug addicts to reach drug addicts? How far can you take the interpretation of that passage?

Pastor Haffner told the story of a girl named Cassie joining

the church through the improv ministry (even marrying an Adventist!). Yet, the fact that people come to church isn't an effective indicator that the method is justified. For example, God used the persecution of Christians to bring many into Christianity. Does that mean God supports the inquisition or holds Nero in high regard? William Miller began seriously thinking about God at the Battle of Plattsburg on Sept. 11th, 1814. Does that mean God supports war? God can reach people through elevator music and strip clubs, but that doesn't mean we should build "Christianized" strip clubs and special "evangelistic" elevators. Improv may have affected some lives for good, but I'm not sure that it's the best way to reach people with the gospel.

Pastor Louis Torres, veteran evangelist and author of the book "Gaining Decisions for Christ," once told me: "What you win people with is what you win people to." Basically, if you try to win people to Jesus by using comedy you're going to win them to comedy. If you try to win people with logic and rationalism you're going to win

them to logic and rationalism. Do we appeal to their needs or to their desire to be entertained?

An observant audience would note how little God was mentioned during the sketches, if at all. When Jesus reached out to people He made it plain that He came in the name of His Father. Even people who didn't know Him claimed that He was "a teacher come from God" based on what they heard of Him. Truly an enviable reputation!

There are other forms of outreach that are more effective and not as questionable such as community stop-smoking classes, healthy cooking schools, special community-oriented convocations and vespers, etc. Improv does indeed help familiarize the community with the church quite well. But if the intention of such a ministry is only to familiarize people with the church, then the ministry should be labeled a community service and placed on some other day than Sabbath.

1 Corinthians 9:20, NKJV
John 3:2, NKJV

Improv entertainment unfit for vespers

RYAN CHILD
Guest Contributor

The purpose of church is not entertainment; the sanctuary should not be a comedy club. But that is what it became during vespers on January 9, nothing more than a stage. While trying to convey a message of inclusion, the speaker implied through a parable that rich people are wrong to want a worship atmosphere that is free of smoking and cursing. He also spent much of his time fishing for laughs.

God requests reverence from those who come into His presence. This is evident when God ordered Moses to take off his sandals and in His instructions for building the temple. Jesus Himself treated the holy temple as hallowed ground.

What are the guidelines for our sanctuary services? Is it "anything goes" as long as everyone dresses properly, or should there be some substance to the show? If how well the speaker can play comedian is what determines the quality of vespers, then something is very wrong with that vespers and with the spiritual atmosphere here in the Southern bubble.

Does the hypocrisy here know no bounds? How is it that the same improv comedy style that would be banned from the student center televi-

sions found its place on the platform? The students who pay to be here should not be lectured about frivolous issues like television, jewelry and condiments if this is going to be the new trend. Did anyone notice that none of the actors wore ties? I have been verbally assaulted for wearing a sweater and week in and week out people on stage get a free pass.

It is no wonder that the Walla Walla Improv church has a good attendance record. It seems to require no thought. Worshipers should not go on autopilot. That mode leads to brainwashed and uneducated people.

What is our motivation for worshipping? Are those seats filled by willing believers or by seat fillers with a card in their hand and other things on their minds? I believe that if for a month the requirements for worship, vespers, and church were lifted that the real condition of spiritual health could be seen. The sudden and undeniable drop in attendance would be evidence that the worshipers do not meet as where we are; which was supposed to be the main message of the vespers.

Let the sanctuary be a place for reverence. That is its purpose. It has become obvious that vespers are not hitting the mark.

Thumbs-up Thumbs-down

By Justin Kobylka



Thumbs up to the SA mid-winter party "Wheel & Deal." It was fun and deserves an especially big thumbs up because it was such a creative idea. Thank you SA for your work in making this campus a fun place as well as keeping it fresh.



Thumbs down to teachers who give large assignments that are due the same day as a test. This type of thing requires students to choose between the assignment and a good test score.



Thumbs up to a relatively smooth transition into Datatel. There are few students who cannot see the advantages of having class information and grades at their fingertips among other advantages. While there have obviously been some glitches at times, thanks for streamlining things and working to fix them quickly.



Thumbs down to having to re-register parking permits. It used to be a smooth process at the beginning of the year. Getting the 14-digit number from my car to my computer is just a hassle I don't need as I juggle starting new classes. Maybe a better idea would be to give year long permits, then have students who get rid of their car contact campus safety. This would make it easier for the hundreds of students who will have to renew.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT SPORTS

Cast Your Vote

ETHAN NKANA
SPORTS EDITOR

Earlier this week I fulfilled my duty as a citizen of the United States and voted. A little early you might say? Hardly. In one month the NBA will hold its annual All-Star Game (ASG) in Los Angeles, California.

Now, critics may say that this contest's participants are selected solely on popularity, similar the your high school prom king and queen. They are exactly right, which is the main reason I take time to vote.

If a player's selection to the ASG was based on statistics rather than popularity we would have seen Air Canada play in the past couple games or King MJ play in his final ASG last year.

It was highly disappointing to see Zydrunas Ilgauskas play in the ASG last year. The game is supposed to be exciting with light-

hearted competition, neither of which Ilgauskas added to last year's contest. I know that the East is lacking in Big Men, but I'm sure there is more talent than the likes of Ilgauskas.

Like many Americans I am very private about my political affiliation and believe that who I vote for is private. Deviating from my previous stance on privacy I will share with you the players I selected for this year's ASG. For the East I selected: Allen Iverson, LeBron James, Vince Carter, Jermaine O'Neal and Ben Wallace. For the West I selected: Kobe Bryant, Steve Francis, Kevin Garnett, Amare Stoudemire and Shaquille O'Neal.

I highly recommend that everyone fulfill their civic responsibility and vote for the players in the 2004 All-Star Game at nba.com/allstar2004.

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What time is it?

ETHAN NKANA
SPORTS EDITOR

Tuesday night's men's intramural basketball action was intense! The Has-beens defeated ShowTime in double overtime with a score of 43-38.

The game began fairly evenly matched until late in the first half when the Has-beens' defense left ShowTime scoreless for over ten minutes. At the half the Has-beens had a commanding 22-11 lead over ShowTime.

At the start of the second half, ShowTime seemed more poised than before and scored the first eight straight points of the half,

reducing the Has-beens' lead to three points. The Has-beens didn't make a field goal until five minutes into the second half.

With two minutes remaining in the final half, Mario Broussard and Sean Thorne ran a flawless give-and-go play to tie the game. Point Guard Edwin Urbina gave Showtime their first lead of the game with a three point field goal. At the final buzzer the teams were tied at 33.

The first field goal of overtime came on a fade away shot from Ted Showalter who dominated the first half of the contest with aggressive post play. With under

a minute left in overtime Broussard hit a clutch free throw to give Showtime a three point lead.

Justin Carter hit a three pointer with ten seconds remaining in overtime to tie the game at 38.

Ryan Irwin took over in the second overtime, hitting a three pointer to break the ice and knocking down two clutch free throws to give the Has-beens a five-point lead. He hit a third free throw to seal the game at 44-38 at the end of two Overtimes. Showalter led all scorers with 14 points.

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the campus Chatter

Week of November 13-November 20:

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 15

11:00 am Convocation - Miles Hoffman (Iles)

Birthdays: Stacey Beardsley, Donna Cochran, Sara Colon, Sophie DaRocho, Alex Gardner, Christy Green, Jessica Hernandez, Mike Lopez, Brent Murray, Ben Sheffer, Lynn Caldwell

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16

5:53 pm Sunset
8:00 pm Vespers - Ken Rogers (Church)

Reflections Café will follow Vespers (Dining Hall)

Birthdays: Cassie Booth, Joy Hiner, Jonathan Johnson, Sharon Rho, N.J. Sawtell, Michael Tuchenko, Carla Tritt, Lorelei Winters, Jim Burris, Leona Gulley, Volker Henning, Julie Penner

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17

9:00 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
10:00 am The Third - Mike Fulbright (Iles)
10:00 am "Something Else Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
10:00 am "Student Center Sabbath School" (Student Center)
11:30 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
5:30 pm Evensong (Church)
7:30 pm Transportation Leaves for Bowling (Wright Hall Steps)
8:30 pm Holiday Bowl (East Brainard) - SAU ID Required

Birthdays: Janan Arocho, Jaime Calvert, Amber Evans, Jesse McClung, Justo Morales, Jenni Sheffield, Brittany Smith, Will Wilkinson, Pat Silver

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

5:30 pm WSMC's Cowboy Jubilee Live - Don Edwards (Ackerman)

Master's Outdoor Education Intensive (18-29)

Birthdays: Samantha Church, Bradley Hyde, Shawn Lathrom, Scott McCoy, Diana Patricia Mendez, Diana Per-Harvey, Florin Radu, Heather Wehn

MONDAY, JANUARY 19

5:30 pm University Senate
5:41:00 pm McKee Library Open

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
No Classes

Birthdays: Ann Foster, Joaquim Santana, Dan Burks

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20

11:45 am Tornado Siren Test
1:00 pm Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)

First day to add a class
First day to return textbook, Campus Shop

Birthdays: Sheena Collar, Marlon Costa, Mike DeLay, Becky James, Brian Magsipoc, Erik Owen, Dipika Pandit, Roberto Ramirez, Clary Rojas, Becky Whetmore

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21

1:00 am Employee Appreciation Day - Student Center
2:00 pm SA Senate (White Oak Room)
5:00 pm Preparing for Marriage Class (Church Training Chapel)

Birthdays: Jennifer Colburn, Travis Renfro, B.J. Shelton, Joan dos Santos, Judie Port

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22

11:00 am Convocation - Student Association: Will Williamson (Church)

A Election Petitions available, SA office

Birthdays: Andre Castelbuono, Eric Davis, Lori Edgmon, Amber Hill, Lourdes Sisneros, Zircon Tuscano, Roger

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW STUDENTS:

If you missed the orientation meeting, you can pick up your folder in the Counseling Center located in the Student Center. This folder contains lots of useful information for all aspects of our campus.

NATIONAL TEST SCHEDULE:

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GRADUATING SENIORS:

Will be by the Counseling Center (Student Center) for two publications. 1) The Job Hunting Handbook to help you take control in landing the job you want and 2) Better Money Management a guide for reaching your financial goals.

STAFF WANTED FOR ADVENTURES IN SUMMER DAY CAMP:

Interested in making a positive difference in young lives this summer? The Celebration Health Fitness Center and Day Spa (Orlando, Florida) is looking for summer day camp counselors for their "Adventures in Summer Camp" program. Children, 5-14 years old, will experience interactive lessons, sports, games, field trips and special events designed to be fun and educational. Staff members are needed to be quality mentors, investing in the character development of campers. Camp dates run from May 12th - August 4th, 2003. CPR and First Aid certification required. If interested call Wendy Morris, camp director, 407-303-4422.

STUDY ABROAD

Students interested in study abroad, either this summer or next academic year, are invited to

visit with Odette Ferreira, Director of Adventist College Abroad. She will be here on Tuesday, February 24, to share information about new programs and answer any of your questions. Bring your supper tray to Banquet Room #2 off the Presidential Banquet Room at 5:30 p.m. She will make the applications for these time periods available at this presentation.

SATURDAY NIGHT BOWL

Saturday night there will be FREE bowling at Holiday Bowl in Chattanooga. You must have an SAU ID card to participate. There will be limited transportation leaving from Wright Hall at 7:30 pm. There are 30 lanes reserved, but you must get there by 8:30 pm or they will be opened to others.

EMPLOYEE DAY

Wednesday, January 21st, is Employee Appreciation Day. Come to the Student Center starting at 9 a.m. to get balloons and a note to give to your favorite dean, professor, cafeteria worker, secretary or any faculty/staff member at SAU. This is your chance to let them know you appreciate them.

CAMPUS MINISTRIES

Reflections Café is happening this Friday night, January 16, after vespers in the dining hall.

The Chaplain's Office website is officially up and running! Check it out at chaplain.south.ada.edu.

GUEST SPEAKER

Tennessee Supreme Court Justice William M. Barker will address the Media Law and Ethics Class Tuesday at 6 p.m. All are welcome to attend. Attendees should dress appropriately and in a way that represents Southern Adventist University.

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STUDENT CENTER

Insightful insights

by Jon Palmer

Beware of wolves in penguin's clothing.

The Advice Dude rocks!

THE GREAT AND MYSTERIOUS DUDE
JOURNALISM 101: KNOW YOUR

Dear Advice Dude,

Because of Southern's policy of not allowing any living pets in the dorm except un-cuddly, un-pettable fish, I have adopted a Pet Rock, Herbert. I've given Herbert an excellent home and loving care, but he seems to have psychological problems. While petting my Pet Rock, I noticed he never smiles or laughs. I think he has depression. Also, he never moves. Could this be a sign of a catatonic schizophrenic state? Herbert keeps to himself, never associating with other mucks. I'm afraid he has social phobia. Since Herbert is a plain, irregularly shaped, tough Rock, he must long for a beautiful symmetrical shape. I diagnosed him with body dysmorphic disorder.

What can I do for my poor, sweet,

depressed, schizophrenic, socially phobic, body-dysmorphic - disordered Herbert?

Thank you for your honest, compassionate, knowledgeable advice. Sincerely, Herbert's loving Mother

Dear Loving Mother

Don't despair. The Dude is here to solve your mombosa problem. First, excellent choice in a un-cuddly Southern approved pet. But on to the gnarly problem at hand.

In my most killer psychotic opinion, I think Herb's depression is caused by his other ailments. It is obvious he is loved at home so that leads me to think that perhaps it is from when he is with other rocks that the problem stems. Sounds like the other rocks treat poor Herby like

a total Benny.

What Bert needs to do is go agro on their collective hineys and prove he is no hodaddy. But before he is ready for that we will have to work on his self-esteem.

Now the dude is a total supporter of the natural beauty of all creatures but if The Big H is truly dismorphic, perhaps some cosmetic Rock polishing is in order.

Once Herbert is happy with himself the other rocks will fall into place. And little Berto can score himself a babelous Betty of a stone. Of course, if none of that works, try Prozac... or Viagra. These will get him feeling like a rock again.

Once again, The Dude has come to the rescue.

Sincerely,

Advice Dude

Who is accountable for this article

HEIDI TOMPKINS
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Last semester, Tony thought about doing an article about accounting for his business section, but who wants to read about that? Even my accounting friends find accounting boring. We got job security, but it's so much more fun to be a starving artist. I'm an English major poet, so I'm not just going to make fun of those accounting/business guys but also of myself. Two for one! How's that for a wise use of resources?

You see, numbers are a foreign language to me. I understand Spanish mucho mejor. My idea of fixing numbers is inserting a comma in the thousands place. I made it through high school because of the calculator, and I still can't count!

I have nightmares from watching too much Sesame Street as a kid, where the Count Von Count laughing at me going, "Three, that's three grammars errors! Ah ah ah!"

I also have found it difficult to go to sleep sometimes. I get frustrated whenever the sheep get all jumbled together and start falling over like VeggieTales, and I lose count and have to start over.

Even the word "accounting" is strange to me. Why is it in the gerund/present perfect form? I don't think accounting was all that accurate. "History" or "computer science" or "journalism" are at least nice, normal nouns. "Nursing" I can see a problem with, but don't nurses do more than sit at a desk and count?

As for business, a famous president once said, "The business of America is business." As an English major, I had to ask, "What kind of a subject complement is that?" It makes little sense and is only slightly less annoying than "A rose is a rose is a rose." Come on, we can eliminate some redundant words some deadweight here?

How about: "The business of America fluctuates." Now there's good action verb! Or even, "The business of America was super-cool one day because it did three things..." Ah! I've read too many freshman comp. papers!

I guess it's time to check my own count and leave writing about business and accounting to those who know what they're doing.

"Okay, not really, but it could be a pen.

The ducks start a new semester at Southern...



Top 11

Things you do when you leave Southern

BY DANIEL ROMANOV & ROBERT JACOBSON

1. You never turn off any of the lights in your house.
2. You're always dialing 8 to get an outside line.
3. After every meal you tote your dishes to the living room coffee table.
4. You only dial four numbers when you call people.
5. You shower with the door open.
6. You take your soap back to your room after you take a shower.
7. You try to buy things at Wal-Mart with your ID card.
8. You just walk away from the toilet assuming it will flush by itself.
9. You swipe your card against the doorknob to get into your house.
2. Before you go back to school you fill out a leave slip and set the heater to 4.
1. You tell your parents you're going camping every time you see your girlfriend.

by Justin Janetzko

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Tennessee supreme court justice briefs students on law

ANANATHA HAY

Tennessee Supreme Court Judge William Barker paid a visit to the Media Law and Ethics class Tuesday night and spoke about the judicial system.

After an introduction by class instructor Wes Hasden, who is also an editorial writer for the Chattanooga Times Free Press, Justice William "Mickey" Barker strode to the front of the class. "This is a great night for me to enjoy this stuff," Barker said.

Sitting down on a desk in front of the class, he gave an introduction of law using current cases dealing with highway searches, doctors advising patients on-call doctors about patients, and other issues to contrast civil and criminal law. He also provided definitions that would be studied in more detail throughout the course and outlined the court hierarchy in Tennessee.

"It was a very informative lecture. He obviously has a lot of experience and knows a lot about Tennessee law. It was also quite interesting to hear about the different cases that he and the Tennessee Supreme court have heard on over the years," said Melissa Kerner, a junior English major.

No stranger to teaching, Barker taught at the University of Tennessee students for 18 years. He lectured to students when he was a senior in college 30 years ago. At the time he was a private practice lawyer and since then has served as a Circuit Court Judge, a Court of Criminal Appeals Judge, and was appointed to the State Supreme Court in April 1998.

"I learned a whole ton about law. I was particularly honored to have him here tonight. He's high on the court system and an expert," said Justin Molyka, public relations major.



Photo by Melita Pujic

Guest speaker Supreme Court Judge Mickey Barker lectures Tuesday night for the Mass Media Law and Ethics class.

The Honorable William H. Barker

§ Born Sept. 13, 1941

§ Attended University of Cincinnati College of Law where he served on the board of editors for the Cincinnati Law Review. Graduated with a doctor of juris prudence in 1967

§ United States Army Medical Service Corps, 1967-69

§ Private practice until 1983
Circuit Court Judge, 1983-95

§ Appointed to the court of Criminal Appeals, February, 1995

§ Appointed to the Tenn. State Supreme Court, April, 1998

Freshman retention up

DON CANTRELL
News Editor

Southern achieved a record level of freshman retention for the fall '03 semester.

According to Joni Zier, Director of Records and Advisement, 76.9 percent of freshman who were enrolled in the winter '02 semester returned for the following fall term.

21.2 percent of last year's freshman had their transcripts sent to other schools and 1.9 percent did not return or have their transcripts transferred.

This is the highest level of freshman retention in Southern's recent history. At its lowest point, the 1980-1981 school year, freshman retention dropped to 49.2 percent.

Specific programs and initiatives are credited with the higher retention rate, including residence hall mentoring and the Student Intervention Team. However, the most important factors, says Zier, are the personal connections faculty and students make.

Florida Conference axes 50 positions

DON CANTRELL
News Editor

The Florida Conference has decided to cut over 50 jobs in an effort to reduce its budget to combat a rapidly inflating deficit. Included in the job cuts are approximately 30 of the conferences 183 pastoral positions.

Cauley told the Adventist Review that Florida Conference's \$4 million deficit exists because Florida's title intake for 2002 was unusually low. Cauley also cited increases in healthcare costs and a number of churches fell behind in their church school expenses or insurance payments.

While Cauley says the decision is painful, it is a necessary one to get the conference's financial situation back on track.

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Lead singer Bill McCallie (center) and his band in Cahoets open Sunday evenings Cowboy Jubilee live held at Ackerman Auditorium.

The truth is, all might be free if they valued freedom, and defended it as they ought.

-Samuel Adams

Modern Languages Department makes new home in Miller Hall

RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

The modern languages department moved into Miller Hall during the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday weekend.

"That building seems to be a good size for us right now," said Dr. Carlos Parra, chair of the department. "We've been struggling for space."

The expanding modern languages department was cramped on the third floor of Brock Hall, which also houses the English and history departments and the School of Business and Management.

"[The move] will give them more room in Brock Hall and give us more breathing space," Parra said.

Now, the modern languages department has two classrooms, a seminar room, a reading room, a language lab and a tutoring room. Miller Hall also has three offices for full-time faculty and one office for adjunct faculty.

"I think students will have many more resources now," said Daniel Treyer, a Spanish tutor. For example, students will have access to new computers and newspapers that will be regularly updated, Treyer said.

The department has also hired a new Spanish teacher, Dr. Carmen Jimenez, who will arrive this summer, Parra said. Jimenez has a Ph.D. from Pennsylvania State University and is currently teaching in Puerto Rico.

The department had hoped to finish the move by Christmas

but was delayed by construction on the lower level of the building, Parra said.

Miller Hall was left vacant after the school of religion moved into Hackman Hall last fall.

Since then, the inside of the building has been renovated. The upstairs offices have been converted back into a classroom and new carpets have been put in.

Work will continue this semester on parts of the building, Parra said. More construction will take place during the summer, when classes are not meeting in Miller Hall. Eventually, the outside of the building will also be remodeled and new windows put in.

"This building will look very nice" when it's finished, said Dr. William Van Gort, professor. "A month from now...everything will be perfect."

Southern postpones Welcome Center

TIFFANY TUELL
STAFF WRITER

Southern's strategic planning committee has recently postponed groundbreaking on the welcome center until the new Tidge Hall wing is complete. The conservative construction plan is designed to prevent budget overruns.

The welcome center, which will be situated next to the Credit Union on the corner of Park Lane and University Drive, will house hotel rooms, a theatre and conference rooms and will cost \$3 million. The center will not be funded by tuition dollars, but is being paid for by loans, which will be paid back by the center's income. The current expectation for room rates is \$65 a night. Conventions, family members, seminars, conferences and gatherings such as camp meeting are some of the things that will help pay for the building. The idea

was developed through strategic planning and presented in October of 2002.

"Southern needs something to say that you have arrived," said Marty Hamilton, director of Property and Industrial Management.

Hamilton said construction of the welcome center is also thought of as a "hospitality" gesture. There will no longer be housing issues for visitors.

"It will be very convenient for parents," said Josh Fickett, a computer information system major at Southern.

Thatcher South, located behind Thatcher Hall, was Southern's conference center, but, due to an abundance of students, it was made into a dorm. In the past, Southern has had to pay for people to stay in motels in the surrounding area. It was estimated that in the past three years, Southern has spent over \$40,000 a year due to lodging

people in hotels in the surrounding area.

The decision to build the welcome center was a joint decision by the various university departments.

Public Relations Director Rob Howell said it was also a financial and marketing decision. Howell said people visiting Southern will enjoy their stay much more if they are able to stay on campus.

The welcome center will be 24,000 square feet with three stories. The lobby will include seating areas, a fireplace and a baby grand piano. The first floor will house standard hotel rooms complete with Internet access and cable TV. The second and third floors will have suites as families will be able to stay together. The welcome center will also have its own theatre so various departments can show projects they have done or are working on.

Around the world and back again

JILL HARDESTY
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Missionary Kids, Military Brats, Biz Kids and Global Nomads are invited to attend a free seminar about what it means to be an ATCK - Adult Third Culture Kid. The seminar is for anyone who has grown up in a foreign country. The seminar will be held at the Collegedale City Hall on Saturday, January 31 from 3:30-8:30 pm.

ATCK's may include those whose parents were missionar-

ies, in the military or businessmen stationed overseas. Presenters at the seminar will discuss why these people are unique and what makes them a 'third culture.'

The Kiwanis Club will be hosting the seminar in the Collegedale City Hall on Saturday, January 31 from 3:30-8:30 pm. The seminar is for ATCK's, their families, spouses, or potential spouses to fellowship with other ATCK's and

share with them the strengths, potentials, and difficulties of a cross-cultural past. It is a chance for ATCK's to learn how growing up around the world has affected them and to meet others with similar experiences.

Pat Gustin and others will be presenting in an interactive program. The presentations will also cover what being an ATCK means for relationships, careers, transitions and loss and grief issues. The presenters are from

all over the country, have lived in many different parts of the world and they specialize in preparing people for both overseas service and re-entry.

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A free pizza dinner will be provided at the seminar. Contact Jill Hardesty at (jmhardenst@sonthern.edu).

Casualties of freedom part of cost

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Many Americans were stunned as they watched the Court TV film that aired January 19, "Chasing Freedom." The film, based on actual events, centered around one Afghan woman's fight for asylum in the U.S. The woman, Meena, taught the alphabet to some of the girls in her village and it was for this offense that the Taliban wanted her killed. She had already been imprisoned and beaten for her crimes and she knew the only way to survive was to escape to the "land of the free."

When she arrived in the U.S., however, she was not welcomed with open arms or granted her freedom. She was detained by immigration lawyers and held in a prison-like detention center for many months while she awaited a hearing. Because the Taliban seized her passport and paperwork, she had no proof of nationality and therefore she was denied a first petition for asylum. It was only through the

persistence of one pro-bono lawyer that Meena was finally allowed to be free. Many are not so lucky. Every year people come to the U.S. to escape persecution and many of them wait in cells like prisoners for years.

After September 11, our country was plunged into a state of high alert, making it even harder for asylum seekers. Those with legitimate reasons for coming to the U.S. were treated with skepticism and their petitions were met with the highest level of scrutiny. Court TV chairman and CEO Henry Schieff stated that, "the attacks of September 11 underscored, it is essential that we balance national security against the need to provide asylum." He hopes that this film will open the eyes of Americans to the plight of asylum seekers.

Since the film's screening, many Americans have felt compelled to act. The Lawyers Committee for Human Rights has been working hard on the cases of asylum seekers and they have called on U.S. citizens to show their support for those

seeking asylum by contacting the Department of Homeland Security. The Lawyers Committee hopes to see new laws enacted to help the cause of the detainees.

America is a great melting pot with people from around the world. It is easy to take our freedom for granted and forget that there are many people residing there are borders who are not truly free. There are many detainees in cities across America whose only crime was that they took the words on baby liberty literally "give me your tired, your hungry, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free." They have come to the door of freedom asking to be let in and now the land of the free faces one of its greatest challenges ever in deciding who to receive its precious freedom and to whom it will remain an untainable illusion.

Chasing Freedom will air on Court TV: Eastern/Pacific January 24 at 9:00 p.m. January 27 at 10 p.m. February 22 at 10 p.m.

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A whale of a tale

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"Big Fish" is a whimsical view of family, forgiveness and tall tales. The visuals are colorful and brilliantly executed, but here it's the story behind the cinematography that holds the real power.

Adapted from Daniel Wallace's book by the same name, the film is one of reconciliation between the incorrigible Edward Bloom and his pragmatic son.

Edward Bloom (Albert Finney) is a small-town celebrity, regaling his friends, family and anyone who will listen with his embellished exploits. To hear him tell it, he saw his death in the right eye of the town which, befriended a giant and escaped World War II in the company of curvaceous conjoined twins. And all this before his son was born!

But now Edward is dying. And so his son Will (Billy Crudup), returns home asking for the truth.

But truth can be hard to come by, and after years of spinning yarns, Edward is far from helpful. But Will is determined and surprised to discover that the line between reality and illusion is blurred and there's more truth to his father's tales than he thought.

In "Big Fish," Tim Burton depicts a vivid fantasy world where werewolves run the circus and the hero always gets the girl. The colorful stories of Edward's younger days, interwoven with the melancholy tale of a father and son's reunion, work toward a sweetly satisfying end that's worth a tear or two.

Galaxy Bowl



Photo by Nathan Zinner
America Rushing aims for a triple Saturday night during Galaxy Bowling in Cleveland, Tennessee.

The acting is flawless. Finney and Crudup have wonderful delivery, while Jessica Lange shines as the elder Edward Bloom's wife. Ewan McGregor is charming in his role as the young Edward of legends and fairytales.

In the end this "story of mythical proportions" makes a strong case for the make-believe and people's preference for little innocent fiction over the mundane of day-to-day life. After all, that's why we go to movies in the first place.

"Big Fish" was rated PG-13 for a fight scene, some images of nudity, and suggestive references.

Drug addiction deemed a developmental disorder

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A recent study from Yale University suggests that drug addiction is a developmental disorder, one that affects adolescents in particular. The reason: Areas of a teenager's brain that control impulsive behavior are not fully formed, while brain circuits that reinforce drug use are already in high gear.

Dr. R. Andrew Chambers, assistant professor of psychiatry at Yale School of Medicine, led

the study, which was published in the June 2003 issue of *The American Journal of Psychiatry*. Chambers and his colleagues based their findings on a review of 140 earlier studies of addiction and brain development.

During adolescence, the human brain begins to release more chemicals associated with new experiences and the desire to repeat them. One of the chemicals is dopamine, a neurotransmitter involved in many forms

of addiction.

Activities that increase dopamine production are highly reinforcing. These activities lead primitive parts of the brain to broadcast a message—in effect: "That feels good. Do it again."

Overall, this change in brain chemistry serves a positive purpose. Adolescents need to increase their range of experiences and develop many new skills. Instead of playing with toys cars, for example, adolescents learn to drive a real car. They

need experiences like these in order to become independent, self-regulating adults in the future.

The problem is that adolescent brains reinforce novel experiences in ways that are much stronger—and longer lasting—than those experienced by children or adults. Also, areas of the brain that adults use to weigh the risks of behaviors are still developing in adolescents.

The bottom line: Teenagers are more likely to experiment with drugs than people in other age groups. And, those experiments are more likely to produce addiction.

"We used to think that the brain you're born with is essentially the brain you live with for the rest of your life," says Stuart Reedy, supervisor of Intake Services at the Hazelden Center for Youth and Families in Plymouth, Minn. "Now we know that's not true. The so-called executive functions of the brain are still under construction during adolescence, while the limbic system, which is tied to strong emotion, is already active."

The American Chamber Players



Photo by Rachel Day

L-R Sara Stern, Joanna Maurer, Miles Hoffman and Inbal Segev perform last Wednesday night for convocation in Ackerman Auditorium.

The show must go on

KELLY MCALIFFE

STAFF WRITER

As January drags on and temperatures fall to below freezing, it can be difficult to find new and exciting weekend activities. One can only visit the mall so many times and even the movie theater becomes old hat by the third consecutive Saturday night. So if you're in the mood for something different, try live theater: Though the prices can be a bit steep, it's money (and time) well spent.

This weekend, the University of Tennessee in Chattanooga is hosting the critically acclaimed Aquilla Theatre Company in two exciting performances. On Saturday, January 24, they will be presenting "The Man Who Would Be King," adapted from Rudyard Kipling's short story of two renegade sergeants and their scheme to rule the kingdom of

Kafiristan. On Sunday, January 25, they will perform Shakespeare's Othello, a tragic tale of passion and jealousy. Both plays commence at 7:30 p.m. The student rate is \$9.00.

Meanwhile, the Chattanooga Theatre Center is running "Spinning Into Butter" (Jan. 23-Feb. 7). The play offers a "searing look at how Americans fail to honestly discuss issues of race, freedom of expression and academic hypocrisy." Show times and prices vary. But be warned, the performance is rated PG-13 for adult situations and language.

The Fox Theatre in Atlanta is now presenting Roger and Hammerstein's beloved musical "Oklahoma." This tale of love and romance on the Midwestern plains includes such songs as "The Surrey with the Fringe on Top," "Oh, What a Beautiful

Mornin'" and "People Will Say We're in Love." Tickets range from \$15.00-\$46.00 and the show runs through the end of the month.

For more information on any of the listed performances contact the following: UTC: (423) 425-4269, Chattanooga Theatre Center: (423) 267-8534, Fox Theatre: (404) 881-2100. Enjoy the show!

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OPINION

Letters to the editor

Dear Editor,

In the last issue I read the opinions of two students who did not approve of the Walla Walla improv vespers. I feel that these two gentlemen missed the entire point of that evening. Each person is entitled to their own opinion. Ryan Child and Matthew Lucio generously gave us theirs, so I thought I'd give mine. I agree with Mr. Child that church is not simply for entertainment, it's a format to worship and a place to share Christ with others. That is exactly what Pastor Haffner and the improv church were trying to do. It is unfortunate that this style of worship offended some to the point that they were unable to receive a blessing and went so far as to attack Pastor Haffner's motives; motives that were obviously missed. What right do we have to judge his motives, let us not forget the plunk in our own eye! Is it a sin to laugh and enjoy being in God's house? Let us respect God by respecting God's people!

Mr. Lucio asked the question whether improv was a good tool to reach people. I feel that any tool that reaches those who are lost is a good tool. Please don't let us be content to sit in our "Christian" country clubs, safe in our comfort zones and never dare venture into the world of the unsaved. Mr. Lucio eluded that becoming a prostitute or a drug dealer is to succumb to sin, so we are call-

ing laughter a sin? "A happy heart makes the face cheerful, but heartache crushes the spirit." Prov. 15:13 NIV. Christianity should be contagious and inclusive, improv is both.

I can't Believe Mr. Child would even dare say "Improv doesn't work." I have participated in Improv ministry in the past and seen how it can bring Christ to those whom would otherwise never listen to traditional evangelism. Improv takes talent, God-given talent. Improv is interactive, it requires participation from the audience and when people are involved they will remember what they have heard and be willing to come back to other religious activities. I have seen hundreds of people attend improv that would never come to a stop smoking class or a cooking class.

So what about wearing ties...is that really an issue? I am a community student and I never wear a tie, do you want me to stop coming to vespers? I feel that Mr. Child and Mr. Lucio made some valid points in their articles, but using improv and Walla Walla College-bashing as a stage to voice these opinions is unkind, uncalled for, unchristian, uncool. In John 10:10 Christ says that he has "come to this world so that we might have life and have it more abundantly!"

-Joe Drew, nursing major

Dear Editors,

God's Word says, "stop judging others and you will not be judged. For others will treat you as you treat them," (Matthew 7:1-2 NLT). Blinking, coughing and outbursts of rash criticism—what do these things have in common: they require little or no thought. Understanding, compassion and constructive, informed criticism, however, take a great deal of thinking, not only that but a Christ-centered view of others and ourselves as well.

Week after week I have read the *Accent* and seen one article after another by certain columnists bashing, ridiculing and humiliating, under the guise of opinion, groups of people and events that have taken place on and off campus. It is one thing to have and thoughtfully voice a difference of opinion but quite another to angrily lash out in disdainful condemnation. The word of God through the apostle Paul says to: "Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath," Ephesians 4:5. How is it then that people can call others hypocrites when in the same breath utter these harsh remarks. To more accurately address the issue of the matter, I was thoroughly blessed by the Improv group that performed on campus on Sabbath, especially by from their message of grace and they way the group portrayed it.

The visual so fittingly por-

trayed that though we are in no way shape or form perfect Christ gives us the opportunity to start over, and over, and over again to make examples of us or to make him He is a loving father that gives us the opportunity to get a fresh start and realize that we need to cling closer to him. At the same time Christ does not merely let us be blind to our own wrong-doing, but also He points it out to us in a way that we can take notice out of his Love. The example of Jesus writing the sin's of Mary's accusers in the sand for them to see not because he wanted to embarrass them in front of their friends, but because He wanted to show them that rash acts of condemnation make you no better than those you view as lesser because of your own "standards." He has forgiven us 70 times seven not so we can "like our soap boxes in self righteous indulgence, but because He knows even better than we do that we are not perfect. And though undeserving, we are given a second chance to be reproved by His words of love and correction not by His rebuke.

So should we take His example and use it the next time we disagree with something that doesn't fit inside our personal box of what we think Adventism or Christianity should be? Take into account that though we are part of the body of Christ, different organs perform different

tasks in different ways but ultimately we all give back to the heart of Jesus and He receives it all the same.

Sincerely,
Alexander Spearman, sophomore religious education major.

Thumbs-up Thumbs-down By Justin Kobylka



Thumbs up to construction continuing on the men's dormitory

despite rain, snow and freezing wind. These guys are tough and we really appreciate their hard work to keep this project moving upward.

Thumbs down to teachers who don't have a syllabus



online. I know that these teachers are few and may not own a computer of their own, but e-class has been around long enough to have taken hold. Students should personally encourage these teachers to post.



Thumbs up to a long weekend this past week. MLK day is a

very important holiday each year and it's good that the school recognizes it with more than a line on the calendar.



Thumbs down to the closing of Southern Carton Industry. Although many students were not even aware of its existence, SCI employs about 40 of you and also brings in thousands of dollars to Southern each month. It will be hard to replace this industry and the dollars that it generated for the college.



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Gossip travels fast

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People will talk. No matter how fat, ugly, smart, rich, old or nice you are, people will always have something to say. That's another downfall of human nature. I like to think that people talk about other people because they have nothing better in their lives to talk about. This is a fact of life. There's no way around it. (Well, unless you are a small rodent-like animal or you have lived by yourself on a deserted island*). Even then, I'm not too sure about that. The truth is that gossip hurts. I have friends come to me in tears because they heard something about them from friends that heard stuff from their friends and so on and so on.

What is my point? Gossip

only breaks down friendships and relationships. I know that it is often times very hard to ignore, but there comes a point in our lives where we just have to say, "It doesn't matter what they say. Let them talk." As long as you know deep down inside that you are doing the right thing, then it's ok. You can't make people stop talking about you but you can learn to deal positively with what comes your way. Nobody wants talk about them, so let's not spread or re-spread any rumors about other people. It just isn't nice. No, my mom isn't fat, I've never ate a dog before, and no, I'm not that weird once you get to know me. Glad we got that straightened out.

* Beware of some of the larger animals. They talk.

Looking toward space and future

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BIRMINGHAM EDITOR

This month we've had a good look at one of our close neighbors, the planet Mars. I've always had a fascination with space exploration. Last year I wrote in this section that the United States should continue to send men into space despite the Columbia tragedy and in the face of significant risks.

So I was pleased last week

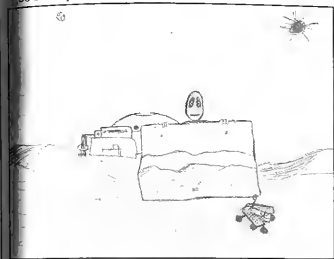
when President Bush challenged NASA to begin working toward new and more challenging goals such as establishing a base on the moon (Yes, we really did go there during the '60s.) and sending humans to the surface of our nearest neighboring planet.

The risks of these challenges are daunting. As it is, only about 1/3 of our remote controlled probes and landers have arrived on the surface in

working condition. Many likely became very expensive craters. So far, our ventures have not had the ability of a human on board to correct problems or the propensity that humans have for error.

I always thought it would be cool to be an astronaut. I'd like to think that I would be courageous, or foolhardy, enough to go to Mars if I had the opportunity. But perhaps it is not to be. After all, the Bible does not read: "And every eye shall see Him, except for Justin, who was too far away because he died on Mars." This makes me wonder if God would pick me up on his way to earth or on the way back...

But the point here is that man can become so entrenched in the social and physical issues that are inevitably associated with earth that they forget there is something more. The God-given desire to learn and explore gives men and women a sense of purpose and pride. For many, this desire is worth living and possibly dying for.



"Still no sign of life."

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SPORTS

Intramural Basketball



Photo by Jacqui Seefry
Captain Matt Harlow of team 102 to Trot catches up with Shox's David Johnson as he sprints down the court Thursday night.

Shox Shock Dynamite in opener, 35-9

MARK GUNTHER
STAFF WRITER

On Wednesday the 14th, the Dynamite opened their Women's Basketball Eastern League campaign, taking on the 1-0 Shox at their first game together as a team were sloppy and unorganized as a whole and the Shox used

their height advantage and run and gun style to open a big early lead. At the halftime mark, it was 21-0 in favor of the Shox. The Dynamite showed flashes of spark in the first half, but didn't seem to ever get well until the second began.

The Shox held a comfortable lead throughout the sec-

ond half as all but one member of the team scored on the evening. Jaela Carter used her height advantage to score 6 points in the victory and Cindy Espinoza hit shots from the mid-range area to match Carter's total. Both Tiana and Evelyn Lopez scored as well, as their outside shooting sparked throughout. Though winning the game by 26 points, the Shox's tendency to run and gun offset a need for a more balanced motion offense. They toyed with this offensive set late in the second half and showed a good promise overall.

Though the Dynamite lost the game 35-9, despite breaking their shutout streak with 13:05 in the second half, they have more than a few items to be encouraged about for the upcoming season. With more organization and better play calling, their ball movement has the potential to improve greatly. This was shown late in the second half as they began to hit shots from a surprising distance. Also, the



Photo by Rachel Day
Linda Fosas of team Dynamite guards Shox's Tiana Lopez as she dribbles across the court in Wednesday night's intramural.

stellar play of Cary Rojas as a point guard turned heads as she has the potential to lead this young team to bigger and better things. Finally, the coach of the Dynamite seems to have a very strong handle of the game and how it should be played. Both of these teams will be ones to watch in the upcoming Women's season.

Kobe Bryant; slogs through court

JUELLE JAMES
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At a court hearing Jan. 23 for the accused rapist Kobe Bryant, the NBA star's legal team will focus on the alleged victim's sexual and medical history. They will attempt to gain access to her medical records in order to challenge her credibility.

Prosecutors said Colorado's rape shield law, which generally prevents defense attorneys from bringing up an alleged victim's prior sexual conduct, is constitutional even though it allows such information into a trial if it is determined relevant.

Bryant's lawyers have argued that the shield law violates a defendant's constitutional right to equal protection, but prosecutor Dana Easter wrote that the law has been upheld in previous rulings. It was unclear when State District Judge Terry Rockriegle would hear arguments or rule on the constitutionality of the rape shield law.

Kobe Bryant lost his sponsorship deal with McDonald's costing the NBA star another endorsement while his sexual assault case proceeds in Colorado. The fast-food company said Monday its three-year

agreement with the Los Angeles Lakers guard expired Dec. 31 and was not renewed. "It would be inappropriate to comment or speculate at this time about any future sponsorship relationship," spokesman Bill Whitman said. Ferrero of Italy, the maker of Nutella chocolate spread, earlier chose to not renew Bryant's endorsement contract. Bryant, a five-time All-Star who helped the Lakers win three NBA championships, is averaging 22 points. He recently hurt his shoulder and could miss several weeks.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT

RELIGION

Can I be His hero?

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Do you ever get an overwhelming feeling of wanting to be different, needed, wanted and extraordinary? The same feeling you would get after watching some thrilling movie where everything goes right for the hero and the villain is barely, but definitely, defeated. The hero becomes real to you, even seems like it could possibly be you. You get this feeling of being powerful, being able to achieve the impossible. After a night's sleep the feeling disappears and life hits again. The regular daily path is walked upon and your hero within fades into the shadows. Deep within, you want that hero to shine through you, become reality and never leave. Unfortunately you just don't have the motivation within to work towards this hero. Unless the unlikely happens it takes work, much sweat, many of days and even periods of wanting to give up to achieve your hero-like goal.

But now ask you, what's this goal you must achieve to become like a hero; to become wanted, needed, different and even to be mister mucho man with big muscles, thick hair, tall, handsome and loaded with money who saves the world? Or do you want to be miss beautiful, thin, fit and talented, who is respected and wanted by all the

hot guys? Do you want to be a fast, fearless car thief or a perfect shot every day on police duty, which eventually saves many lives? Maybe you just want to be the best NBA or NHL player. Maybe you want to win the iron-man, or beat Lance Armstrong. These are all dreams and can come true. But I beg you to take a close look at what this will help you gain in the end. Will you die a happier person since you scored the best in sports, placed first in the Olympics or won the heart of the most popular individual? Will you have the assurance of life beyond the one we live here, on earth? Will you feel you have done your best on earth for others beside yourself? Will peace surround you, calm your nerves, and give you an utter hero-like feeling: a feeling like the Creator, Himself is looking at you and saying "well done good and faithful servant." I don't know about you, but the way I am living my life isn't giving me the assurance that God is saying, "well done, Alicia." Instead I feel that God expects more from me. If he didn't expect more from me, I would never reach my max potential. Instead I would remain in the stage of dreaming about the hero within. It's time to become that hero. I have found the definition of a hero to be very different from what the world teaches. A hero is one who humbles himself, experiences

God's forgiveness of his sins, reaches for God's already stretched-out hands, and openly proclaims God's grace to the world. WOW! That definition is like an oxymoron compared to the one the world gives us. The world's hero doesn't humble himself to someone else, much less to God; they don't seek forgiveness for past wrongs or ask for help because they know that alone they will be defeated. Take a look at what you do on a daily basis. Would God say to you at the end of each day, I am proud of you? Would He appreciate you being disrespectful, swearing, cheating, drinking, getting high, having premarital sex and the list goes on. When you put your life into perspective what really matters? I think it is that really matters? I think it matters whom we give honor and glory too, whether it be God or Satan. I think that it matters what kind of decisions we make on a daily basis. I think that becoming a hero matters, as long as it is a hero for God. When you think about it, if you become a godly hero, God will bless you with a wonderful husband/wife, dreams that will come true, peace, assurance of a better life to come and so, so much more. Let's not get wrapped up in the hero of the world, or anything pertaining to the world, instead let's entrust ourselves in being heroes for God, under God and because of God. Experience a little heaven on earth.

So to sum it all up, being a hero is very attractive to us humans. We can all be heroes. What kind of hero is the question? Do you want to be an earthly hero or do you want to be a Christ-like hero? It's your decision. Let God lead you and be your personal trainer. God bless. We're all in this together.

SUZANNE TRUDE
STAFF WRITER

Some of you may have heard of this Sabbath afternoon ministry to the inner-city neighborhood of East Lake. This project was started by a student here at Southern during his second year. Adam Williams and his friends decided to do something for God on their Sabbath afternoon and found themselves handing out literature to the people in the East Lake low-income housing section of town. They found that this ghetto style apartment complex is full of children eager for attention. At the time Adam and his friends were working at a day camp called Flag Camp so they decided to take what they had learned there and start a Sabbath afternoon outreach to the children of East Lake. They chose to steel Flag Camp as the name of their ministry and open it up to others who wished to join them.

The idea is to share God's love with these children and they do games, crafts, stories and simply have one-on-one time with the children. When they arrive at East Lake the vans unload and the invitations begin. Through communications with the housing projects president SAU students have gained the use of the two playgrounds in the community and if it rains they can also use the community center. The SAU students go door to door in the community and ask if the children of the home can come out and play. It also can be said that because this has been going on for a while now that most of the time if you say you are from Flag Camp they are happy to let their children come to the playground with you.

The first year they went every weekend and soon realized that though it was fun it was tiring and to often to keep prepared.



Photo by Rachel Trude
Flag camp participant

The stress of college did not allow for proper time to plan the activities they wanted to do with the children if they went every week. So last year they only went to twice a month, which worked great because Adam had enough organizers who could help him with the activity planning and preparation. This year unfortunately they have only been going out once a month. The school has helped though by providing Adam with the use of school vans for the ministry and so they usually take about 50 people each time they go to East Lake. They meet in front of Wright Hall and go out from 5pm depending on the time of year and the weather.

So if you are looking for something fun and rewarding to do on your Sabbath afternoon consider going out with the Flag Camp. Their motto is: making personal contact with the children that will plant the seed of Christ in their lives. And they are more than happy to have writers, storytellers and craft artists join. So contact Adam at adam@southern.edu or at his cell 1707. Help change lives for eternity: join Flag Camp today!

Write. Tell. Share.

The Religion Section of the Southern Accent is looking for testimonials, missionary experiences, spiritual triumphs and struggles, stories of answered prayer, and ministry profiles. Interested in sharing yours?

Call 254-3543 or e-mail seaneed@southern.edu

Church Schedule

Compiled by Sean Reed

Chattanooga First Church
Collegedale Church
Korean Youth Church
Spanish-American Church
Hamilton Community Church
McDonald Road Church
The Third
Ministerial Induction (Thatcher chapel)

Worship Service Times: 9:45 and 11:00
Worship Service Times: 9:00 and 11:30 AM
Worship Service Time: 11:00
Worship Service Time: 9:00 - 11:45
Worship Service Time: 11:30 AM
Worship Service Times: 8:50 and 11:25 AM
Worship Service Time: 10:00 AM
Worship Service Time: 9:30 - 11:00

To have your church included in the weekly church schedule, e-mail seaneed@southern.edu.



the campus Chatter

Week of: January 23-January 30

Erica Chu
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22

- 11:00 am Convocation - Student Association:
Will Williamson (Church)
- SA Election Petitions available, SA office

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23

- 5:00 pm Sunset
- 8:00 pm Vespers - Mike Ryan (Church)
- Payday
- Ministerial Trainee Induction (23-24)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24

- 5:00 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
- 5:30 am Ministerial Trainee Induction - Mike Ryan (Thatcher)
- 10:00 am The Third - Mike Fulbright (Iles)
- 10:00 am "Student Center Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
- 10:00 am "Another Sabbath School" (Student Center)
- 11:00 am Ministerial Trainee Induction - Mike Ryan (Thatcher)
- 11:30 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
- 3:00 pm GC President Report - Mike Ryan (Church)
- 6:00 pm Evensong (Church)
- 7:00 pm 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament (Iles)
- 11:30 pm Sigma Theta Chi Skating Party (Hamilton Skate Place)

MONDAY, JANUARY 26 - See Adjusted Class Schedule

- 11:00 am Convocation - Student Week of Prayer - Jondelle McGhee (Church)
- 4:00 pm University Assembly
- 5:00 pm Joint Worship - Student Week of Prayer - Mario Broussard (Church)
- Last day for 80% tuition refund

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27

- 11:00 am Convocation - Student Week of Prayer - Justin McNeilus (Church)
- New Club/Dept. Student Organization applications due, Office of Student Life & Activities

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28 - See Adjusted Class Schedule

- 11:00 am Convocation - Student Week of Prayer - Rebecca Chung (Church)
- 7:00 pm Preparing for Marriage Class (Senior Center)
- 7:00 pm Joint Worship - Student Week of Prayer - Destiny Drama (Church)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29

- 11:00 am Convocation - Student Week of Prayer - Gina Thurber (Church)
- 5:00 pm Club/Dept. Student Organization President's Meeting (Presidential Banquet Room)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30 - See Adjusted Class Schedule

- 1:45 am SA Senate Donut Day (Promenade)
- 1:00 am Convocation - Student Week of Prayer - Christine Jensen (Church)
- Sunset
- 6:00 pm Vespers - Student Week of Prayer - John Rengifo (Church)

STUDENT WEEK OF PRAYER (26-31)

M W F Adjusted Class Schedule
8-8:35A
8:45-9:20A
9:30-10:05A
10:15-10:50A

GENERAL

Staff members wanted for adventures in summer day camp: Interested in making a positive difference in young lives this summer? The Celebration Health Fitness Centre and Day Spa (Orlando, Florida) is looking for summer day camp counselors for their "Adventures in Summer Camp" program. Children, 5-14 years old, will experience interactive lessons, sports, games, field trips and special events designed to be fun and educational. Staff members are needed to be quality mentors, investing in the character development of campers. Camp dates run from May 12th - August 4th, 2003. CPR and First Aid certification required. If interested call Wendy Morris, camp director, 407-303-4422

The Student Media Board invites all students who have an interest in serving as next year's Accent editor, Memories editor, Joker editor or Strawberry Festival producer to pick up an application in the Student Services office. Completed applications and portfolios are due Monday, Feb. 2. For more information contact, Stephen Ruf, Media Board Chair, 238-2761.

CLUBS & DEPARTMENTS

Students interested in study abroad, either this summer or next academic year, are invited to visit with Odette Ferreira, Director of Adventist College Abroad. She will be here on Tuesday, Feb. 24, to share information about new programs and answer any of your questions. Bring your supper tray to Banquet Room #2 off the Presidential Banquet Room at 5:30 p.m. She will make the applications for these time periods available at this presentation.

French Club. French Club movie night is this Saturday night the 24th at 7:00 p.m. in Brock Hall 333. Admission is free to members and for non-members \$2.00.

CAMPUS MINISTRIES

The Chaplain's Office website is officially up and running! Check it out at chaplain.southern.edu

Mission trip: If you are interested in going on a mission trip to Mexico for Spring Break please see Pastor Ken immediately. There are only a few spaces left. For more information please call 2787.

STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Super Bowl Party: Think it's just a last resort place to watch the Super Bowl? Think again! The SA Super Bowl party, featuring the New England Patriots and the North Carolina Panthers, will be on February 2, starting 30 minutes before kick off. Come for free pizza, free tee shirts for your team and a great evening honoring the All-American Sport!

Valentine's Banquet: The Student Association proudly presents "A Night in Paris," the annual Valentine's Banquet. Raising the standard for any banquet, this evening of elegance and beauty is designed to entertain you and your date in a personal way. Eat what you want, see what you want and move where you want. And go afterwards where you want. Rembrants, Stone Cup, Mud Pies, Northshore Grille and several other downtown establishments are offering discounts that evening with your banquet ticket. Tickets are on sale now in the SA office. Hurry, sales end January 27!

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Ruth's Florist & Gifts, Inc will be on campus January 29 and February 2 from 11:30 a.m. until 1:15 p.m. in the cafeteria to take flower orders for the SA Valentine's Banquet.

Students who order during this time will receive a 10% discount!

For those who cannot come during these times present this coupon at the shop for a 10% discount through Feb. 8.

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The joy of fast food

NATANIEL REYES
HONOR COLUMNIST (AND I USE THE PUM
COLUMNIST)

DISCLAIMER: Warning, for those of you who don't know me, I'm sporean (half Spanish, half Korean). In my world we speak differently and very badly I might say. When you read this I must warn you their will be misplace phrases, grammatical errors. Made up words, and overwhelming sentence that your head might explode. So if you need a translation please feel free to call me at 892-0721 or find a sporean translator. Thank you and enjoy.

You know I think I've come to a conclusion that after working in the fast food world, I think there should be two lines for fast food. One for the smart and one for non-smart people that don't know anything, how can we tell that these are smart and non-smarts. Well what can they do is the people have to answer a simple question and if they answer right then they get the food line where everybody wants to be...BUT, if not well.

"Hello welcome to the burger world, before I take your order you have to answer this question

"Okay"

"Does a cheeseburger come with cheese?"

"Why yes, yes it does so that person gets a card to slide through the gate of burger world and the choir is singing with praises for the smart person and they'll get the royal treatment. But what about the non-smart people....well

"Hello welcome to the burger world, before I take your order you have to answer this question.

"Alright, this shouldn't be hard. I'm smart

"Does a cheeseburger come with cheese?"

(pause) uhhhhhhh.....

(pause) ummmmmmmmm...a pause where the face is giving I'm going to be screwed fate if I answer this wrong.... ahhh no it doesn't with cheese.

So the person is looking at him saying, "Non-smart go over there" so the person goes over to the non-smart line and its HUGE cause no one knows how to order.

"So.... What did they get you with?"

"I didn't know that a cheese-burger came with cheese"

"Don't worry I didn't know pickles came with a burger with everything"

Top 10 Spanish words to never confuse*

SONYA REAVES
HONDURAN

10. Pelear fight and Pelar pecl
Vaya pelear las papas.
Go fight the potatoes.

9. Pero but / Perro dog. Me gusta su perro.
I like your but.

8. Pato duck/ Plato plate
Quero a comer en un pato.
I want to eat on a duck.

7. Sentarme I feel me/ Sentarse you sitdown
No quiero sentarme.
I don't want to feel me.

6. Amiga friend(female)/ Ormiga ant
!Mira, grande amiga!
Look, big girl friend!

5. Mono monkey/ Mano hand
Lavarse los monos.
Wash your monkeys.

4. Cuarto bedroom/ Cuatro four
Yo tengo cuatro pollos.
I have bedroom chickens.

3. Hombre man/ Hambre hungry
Yo tengo hambre.
I have man.

2. Pagar to pay/ Pegar to punch
Vaya a pagar el muchacho en el taxi.
Go punch the man in the taxi.

And the number one word you should definitely know so you don't have thousands of people in a congregation flocking to the bathroom or several children who you think have suddenly had a streak of wanting to talk to God.

1. Orinar to pee/ Orar to pray
Vamos a orinar.
Let's pee.

I hope that you have learned some things. Please study before you go to another country that doesn't speak English. Or have compassion on your friends who speak English as a second language.

These are only a few of the many faux pas that I have been exposed to these last 5 months here in Honduras. While they have all happened they have not all happened to me, though a few

INSIGHTFUL INSIGHTS

If I was stuck on a deserted island and my only friend happened to be a hockey puck that wouldn't shut up about how a bunch of angry Canadian men used to hit him with sticks, then I would throw him in the fire.

By Jon Palmer

Myrmecophobia

KELLY WEIMER
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

I ain't got no quarrels with animals. I LIKE animals. I don't even mind spiders and bugs. They're gross, and I have no desire to spend extra time with them, but spiders and bugs are okay. But not ants.

Now, one may wonder, "Why don't you like ants? What's the big deal?" (I'm hoping that you're wondering this, or else my introduction has really flopped.) Well, I don't have some traumatic experience from my childhood that my antipathy for the horrid little creatures stems from, but the thought of ants swarming over everything has always - and please forgive the pun - bugged me.

Now here I am at Southern, mostly content with my humble dwelling on the third floor of Thatcher with its nice view and proximity to the stairwell. My room has one problem. We have ants. They're everywhere! They're those little brown ants (you know the kind) no bigger than a baby black ant, and they crawl on the sinks, on the desks, the floor, and some have even ventured into our bathroom. Don't ask me where they come from. My roommate, Laura, and I call them the "daylight ants," because they only seem to appear when the lights are on. (Maybe we just can't see them in the darkness, but regardless whether the theory is true or not, I'm typing by the lone light of my computer screen right now.)

I hadn't done much about the problem. (Some may call me lazy, but I prefer the term "tolerant.") We could co-exist, I figured. I forgave the ants when they ate my apple cinnamon bread that I had been saving for Sabbath. I forgave them when they crawled into my literature book and got smashed in Beowulf. But over Christmas break, my little daylight ants

crossed the line.

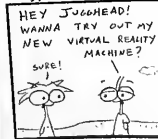
I like to think of you, dear readers, as my faithful. However, I realize that some of you don't know me as well as others. So I must attempt to explain a little peculiarity about myself. I iron everything. Not just dress clothes, but I've been known to iron jeans, pajamas, sheets - even the occasional sock or two. Consequently, I love my iron dearly. So when I got back from Christmas break and plugged in my iron, you can imagine my concern when it smelled like something was burning.

Worried, I immediately checked the water level, as my seasoned ironer would. To my absolute horror, I espied a few dead ants floating in the water. Unplugging my iron, I noted the sink to empty the water, but clumps and clumps of ants. Little ant tumbledowns began to drop out of the water holder, started to gag. Then I noticed what looked like toast crumbs sprinkled all over my sink. As I shook the water out of my iron, I saw more of the crumbs fall onto the little holes on the ironing surface. Upon closer inspection, I discovered that they were crumbs at all - they were burnt ant corpses from ants that had decided to make my iron their watering hole.

I tried to clean out the iron. After about ten minutes of ironing, shaking, and gagging, Laura, who was busy squishing ants on her desk, finally snapped. "Dude, that's SICK!" Just toss it! And so, with much sadness, and not a few tears, my beloved iron was laid to rest in the garbage room.

And so, the War of the Ants has begun. I shall fight valiantly and one day (with the help of housekeeping) I know I shall be the victor. But until that day comes, I anticipate I will be wearing wrinkled clothes a little while longer.

Claypot's new invention:



by Justin Janetzko

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Avant injured in parking lot vehicle assault

DON CANTRELL
News Editor

Campus Safety Director Eddie Avant is recovering medically after being injured during an alleged vehicle assault on Wednesday. University officials say a current student may be the assailant.

During the morning week of prayer meeting, Avant approached a black vehicle that was parking in the blocked off lot next to the gym. The driver attempted to run Avant down and sped off after missing him, said Bill Wohlers, vice president of student services-also Avant's boss.

Avant told the Accent the driver was trying to run him down. "It was definitely no accident." After the incident, Campus Safety personnel transported Avant to an emergency care facility for treatment. He aggravated a previous neck injury and pulled some back muscles when he fell to the ground. He was released later that day and was told to stay home from work for 4 days.

Collegedale police say the incident is under investigation. Police Chief Dennis Cramer would not confirm that a suspect has been identified or is in custody. Police also would not release a description of the suspect, or the vehicle. However, Avant said he recognized the driver as a current Southern student. He also said police have apprehended a student for questioning.

Wohlers said several people witnessed the incident. Its not the first time Avant has been attacked. Four years ago, he was struck by a suspect who was attempting to pass bad checks at the Village Market.



Photo by Jacqui Seeley

Jon Liam sleeps off his worries Wednesday night at Barnes and Noble while surrounded by studious friends. Over 100 students gathered at the bookstore to study and relax, escaping from the campus wide power-outage.

Collegedale blacks out

DON CANTRELL
News Editor

A power outage struck Southern's campus around 6:45 p.m. Wednesday night, leaving the main residence halls without electricity until around 3 a.m. Thursday.

According to Campus Safety, the blackout affected the area of Collegedale between Apison Pike and Standifer Gap Road. Chattanooga Electric Power Board crews immediately responded to make repairs.

EPB said the blackout was caused by a faulty series of underground lines that University installed last summer. The faulty lines sent a charge back to the electric substation, overloading the power transfer to the university and starting a domino affect, which left the entire campus without power.

Once crews determined the prob-

lem, they gradually began rerouting power back to areas of campus.

"Southern Village was one of the first areas to regain power; followed by the gym and Fleming Plaza by around 8:30pm. Wright Hall had lights by around 2:00am and both dorms finally got power at around 3:00am," said Ted Prouty, senior visual communication major, who was on the scene.

Talge Hall lost power again Thursday morning, as workers had to access electrical systems for replacement of damaged components.

Despite the outage, about 700 students gathered at 7 p.m. in the Collegedale Church for an evening week of prayer meeting. A lack of lights did not hamper the reverent atmosphere of the service. Cell phone displays and a flashlights served as

illumination. Although there was no P.A. system, song service proceeded as planned accompanied by piano and drum.

Campus Safety responded quickly to secure campus buildings and to direct traffic and pedestrians at the crosswalk on University drive.

A few acts of vandalism were reported during the outage, including the egging of Brock Hall's east entrance and a Campus Safety vehicle. Strangely, two fishes were found frozen on the McKee Library front doors. "The fishing was cute, but the egging was vandalism," said David Houtchens, Southern's Fire Safety Technician.

Houtchens said dorm students who lighted candles in their rooms during the outage could face fines in accordance with university policy.

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Photo by Jacqui Seeley

Fish that were froze to the library door Wednesday night.

"Don't look down while you're driving, I guess."
-Joel Polley



Photo by Jacqui Sealey

Clair Kitson, associate director of plant services, is back in his old routine Tuesday at the Talge construction site. Kitson says he spends 80 percent of his day on the phone ordering supplies and answering questions. Kitson was quick to point out he was not on the phone, however, when the accident happened.

Clair Kitson: back on the job

ANDY WLASNEWSKI
STAFF REPORTER

Clair Kitson has a lot to be thankful for. Kitson is back to work full-time, after a near fatal accident in which a steel beam struck Kitson while he was working on the Talge Hall addition.

"I didn't realize what had happened. I just hit the ground and couldn't breathe," Clair said, associate director of plant services.

Kitson spent four days in the hospital with two broken ribs, a cut spleen, and a bruised lung.

Marty Hamilton, director of lease holds, sent a memo to all Southern's staff informing them of the accident. Clair said that he received a lot of letters

of encouragement during his stay in the hospital. "I felt really good about the support I got. Even Gordon Beitz and his wife sent me a letter," he said.

Ever since Kitson's accident, hardhats have been mandatory on the Talge building site. "If Clair hadn't been wearing his hard hat, his injuries would have been much more serious and possibly fatal," Hamilton said.

Not everyone had been wearing hard hats because most of the work had been below head level, but as the construction reaches the second floor, hardhats are mandatory.

Even with Kitson gone, construction of the addition is

close to being back on schedule. The project is only three weeks behind, and the first phase, which includes the basement and first floors, will be completed in time for first semester next fall, according to Hamilton. The second phase, which includes the finishing and furnishing of the second and third floor, will be done by winter semester next year.

Clair Kitson has his hardhat back. It has a chunk missing out of the back and Kitson knows that it could be a chunk missing out of the back of his head. Kitson doesn't dwell on that though. "Even on the way to the hospital I was worried about what would happen at work when I wasn't there."

The Greenway is growing

JACQUI SEELEY
STAFF REPORTER

Southern Adventist University students will no longer need to dodge traffic for access to the Wolfcreek Creek Greenway. In the early spring, phase three of the Greenway construction will extend the path to the duck pond.

"I used to go on the Greenway only once a week," says Sara Bandel, sophomore journalism major. "But if [Southern] was connected, I wouldn't have to walk a mile just to get there."

Construction on the path will also connect Spaulding Drive to the Nature Nook on Tallant Road. Phase three contributes 0.6 miles to the winding 1.5 miles of paved trail for a total of 2.1 miles. Project bids start in a few weeks. A completion date for phase three is yet unknown.

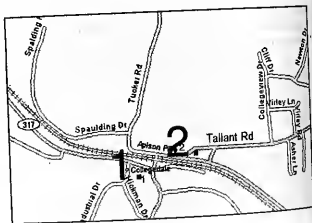
Collegedale City Engineer Joe Farrow says that as the community grows, the Greenway will expand to meet its needs. Future phases four and five will connect the railroad bridge back to Robinson Farms Subdivision and extend the Nature Nook

towards Edgemont Subdivision. Funded through state grants, phases three through five will cost about \$650,000, with phase three using almost one-third of the budget costing \$200,000.

But some students are worried construction will cause traffic headaches. "As for construction delays, there will probably be none to interfere with student activities," says Farrow.

The Greenway started with an idea from a group of eighth-grade students at Spaulding Elementary. In December 1998, phase one joined the Imagination Station to the pond at Ringgold Road. Phase two connected Ringgold Road to Spaulding Drive in January 2001.

Carol Mason, Collegedale city manager, is thrilled that many people use the Greenway. "The Greenway has been a huge asset to the community of Collegedale," Mason says. The Collegedale City Government hopes to continue expansion of the Wolfcreek Creek Greenway for many years.



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Who's Who honors students

DON CANTRELL
NEWS EDITOR

Forty-seven Southern students have been recognized by Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, Southern faculty and administration suggest names who it deems to be the most outstanding scholars and leaders in America's institutes of higher learning.

The organization publishes an annual directory, featuring the thousands of students selected by campus nominating committees for outstanding scholastic achievement, extracurricular involvement and student leadership.

"These are the young adults who enhance the positive image of American youth through their contributions to community and school," says the Who's Who website.

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Students selected to the list can purchase a copy of the volume, through Who's Who.



courtesy <http://www.southern.edu>
Southern's Who's Who List

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Cassie Booth
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- Ther Nudd
- Thijha Pandit
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- Adam Ruf
- Miranda Saylor
- Lake Self
- Lake Shives
- April Sjoberg
- Winey Smith
- Neal Smith
- Glen Thurber
- Vinny Vernier
- Ardin Von-Walter
- John Weigley
- April White
- Thaddeus Wilson
- Autumn Wurster
- Sara Yingling

SA Senate debates open parking on weekends

BRIAN MAGSIPOC
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

The SA Senate convened on Jan. 21 to discuss various problems and proposals. Some of the items on the agenda included cafeteria vandalism and the possibility of open parking, renovation of KR's and online Electronic Funds Transfers.

Beats knives, broken forks, glasses jammed together - are the results of vandalism cost the cafeteria \$1,694 in Oct. alone. A solution is still in the works, but a sugges-

tion was to get rid of metal silverware and use disposable utensils instead.

The suggested new system would have open parking on the weekends only. Senator Byron Moore believes the new system would accommodate everyone.

"I believe we should look to accommodate student body needs for parking in a more effective, easier, and less expensive system," said Moore.

However, Senator Joel Willis believes community parking problems would

return with the proposed new system. Willis, who also happens to be a campus safety officer, has ticketed many dorm students who park in community lots. Senator Willis believes if open parking is reinstated "It's just going to become a bigger problem than it already is now."

The possible reorganization of KR's is being considered as well. "We're looking into reorganizing and renovating it," said Senator Matt Noffsinger. The renovation would include moving

equipment around, as well as enlarging the room itself.

Online access to Electronic Funds Transfers was proposed and will continue to be discussed. Online access is not currently possible because a high-security connection is needed, but access through Datatel could be provided in the future.

SA Senate is considering many proposals, but Senator Matt Newbern says there are no guarantees. "We just have to find out if it works, if they'll do it."

Campus Safety officer wrecks Jeep, other vehicles

TIM JESTER
MANAGING EDITOR

A Southern campus safety vehicle is in the shop after it slammed into two cars behind Brock Hall Monday afternoon January 19.

Joel Polley, freshman computer, science, major and Campus Safety officer, was behind the wheel of the Jeep Grand Cherokee.

"I was returning from picking up packages at the purchasing department," said Polley. "As I was driving south on Industrial Drive, I became distracted by a CD player and some mail in the front seat. The CD player fell and I was looking down to grab it and I felt myself hit something."

The vehicle struck a blue Ford Explorer driven by Travis Gohr, and a red Toyota 4-Runner owned by Loren Howard. According to the Collegedale Police Department report, both student owned



Photo by Jacqui Szeley
Campus Safety hit this Toyota 4-Runner owned by Loren Howard last Monday afternoon.

vehicles sustained more than \$400 each in damage.

"I was in Brock Hall when it happened," said Gohr. "I just came out and my car had been hit. Insurance is gonna take care of it so I don't really care."

Polley is still employed by Campus Safety.

Big tours for music groups this semester

SHANE GALLATIN
STAFF REPORTER

The SAU Wind Symphony, Orchestra and Bel Canto will be doing some long-distance touring this semester.

The wind symphony will be traveling up to New England at the end of March. Although dates and venues are not yet confirmed, the group plans to visit New York and Boston, with performances at Shenandoah Valley Academy and Blue Mountain Academy which are along the way. Director Ken Parsons says that the symphony will be doing both sacred and secular programs, including a mix of classical and hymn arrangements, and some jazz and swing pieces. The SAU Wind Symphony New England tour is scheduled for March 30 to April 4.

The orchestra will tour California in March. The group will be performing for services at Calimesa SDA Church, Loma Linda and La Sierra. Additionally, the orchestra will perform at Forrest Lawn Cemetery, which will probably be the biggest concert of the tour, according to orchestra director Laurie Minner. The orchestra was originally invited to play for the Forrest Lawn Cemetery's annual gala by David K. Burchart, current president of the Healthcare Foundation at Glendale Adventist Medical Center and former SAU vice-president. Although those plans fell through, the orchestra is still being paid to come out there, so no fund-raising for the trip was necessary. The SAU Orchestra California tour will take place March 17 to 22.

Bel Canto Women's Chorus will be traveling to the Virgin Islands. They will be performing at a number of schools and churches in St. Croix and St. Thomas. Fund-raising was needed for this trip, to the tune of \$1500. Their tour will be during spring break, from Feb. 25 to March 7.

Virus frustrates e-mail users

JOHN BLANCHARD
STAFF REPORTER

Southern's email filters were updated late Monday night by a new virus that quickly circulated among faculty and student computers. The new virus hit into Southern's networks before virus definitions were even available to combat it.

A few computers have been infected by the virus, many email boxes still contain the malicious code. Once a computer is infected, a backdoor is created to allow access to the machine. MyDoom also installs a key logger which records all key-strokes; potentially capturing passwords and credit card numbers.

Information Systems cautions that students and staff may receive phishing emails warning that they are harboring viruses, but this is not an indication that you are infected, or

even have the virus on your computer. Janita Herod, Office Manager for the School of Journalism & Communication, arrived at work Tuesday morning to find numerous messages saying that she was sending out infected emails. "My computer had been off all night," said Mrs. Herod, who later found out that her computer was virus free and had not been the originator of those messages. "MyDoom can take addresses from an infected computer, and using a technique called 'spoofing,' fake the origin of subsequent emails to look like they came from those new addresses."

Infected computers that do not have virus protection can download a removal tool from networkassociates.com or symantec.com. Those who can update their virus software are urged by Information Systems to do so.

Mike McClung, Workstation Support Supervisor, suggests that students and faculty use caution when opening any unexpected attachment without first contacting the sender. "Opening harmful attachments not only puts the user at risk, but also puts at risk, as well as others on the network."

According to CNN, one of every three emails it monitored contained the virus, sailing past the previous record holding Sobig-F virus which at its peak, infected only one in 17 emails.

Built into the virus is a planned February 1st Denial of Service attack against www.sco.com, the owners of UNIX, who are engaged in a billion dollar lawsuit with large companies such as IBM for their use of Linux, an open-source operating system that SCO believes to be an illegal version of their software.

LIFESTYLES

Immersion into modern technology

TIFFANY TUELL
STAFF WRITER

The fast-paced world of technology swept into the advanced photography class this semester through the acquisition of digital cameras.

"The industry of photojournalism is going digital. We need to prepare students for today's workplace," said Volker Henning, Ph.D., dean of the School of Journalism and Communication.

Today's newspaper industries have entirely moved over to digital cameras. The ordinary, manual camera is a thing of the past in the world of photojournalism. With the new technology, there is no longer a need for long hours spent in the darkroom with messy chemicals.

In previous years, students of the advanced photography class had to print pictures in the darkroom. With the new digital cameras, however, advanced photography students will no longer spend hours in the darkroom printing their images.

In years past, journalists using non-digital cameras could not see if their work was successful until their film had been printed. Digital cameras allow immediate appraisal of the photo.

"I am enjoying the use of this [digital] camera. I love it because it I get to see the pictures straight away," said Melita Pujic, a major in mass communication/advertising, with a minor in graphic design.

The school acquired six cameras for a class that normally has an enrollment of ten to twelve students. Students are



Photo by Melita Pujic

Jacquie Seeley, head photographer and photolab assistant, explains to advanced photography student Anna Morar on Thursday how to use the new digital Canon Rebels.

expected to share a camera between two people. Some students feel that it is difficult to accomplish assignments when the ratio of students to cameras is about two-to-one. However, some students enjoy having a partner in the class.

"We're teamed up with partners, which I think is great," said Robyn Fenton, an art major with a minor in visual communication.

The price of digital cameras has gone down in the last few years. The Canons used by the school used to cost around \$1,500 apiece, but the School of Journalism and Communications purchased theirs for \$1,000 each.

The digital cameras are Canon EOS digital Rebels. The

chip of each camera is more than six mega pixels. Each student is given his or her own 256-megabyte photo card. The cards can capture more than 80 pictures apiece, but as the number of pictures increases, their quality decreases.

The cameras are also of a higher resolution than the average digital camera that the everyday consumer buys. With the average digital camera, there is a lag between the moment the button is snapped and the moment when the camera flashes and records its subject.

The goal of the advanced photography class is to teach students what makes a photo important. It teaches how, when, why, and where to take

pictures. Students present their images onscreen at the beginning of each class. The rest of the class period is devoted to critiquing famous photos.

The future graduates of Southern Adventist University's School of Journalism & Communications will be able to enter into highly competitive job fields and not feel lost in the world of digital technology.

Billy Weeks, director of photography and graphics at the Chattanooga Times Free Press and the instructor of Southern's advanced photography class says, "[The acquisition of digital cameras] allows [the students] to prepare for industry by taking digital images."

Music Man
to play in
ChattanoogaKELLY MCAULIFFE
STAFF WRITER

Meredith Willson's dynamic musical "The Music Man" and its 76 trombones will play in Chattanooga's Memorial Auditorium on Monday, Feb. 2 at 7:30 p.m. This is one show you don't want to miss.

The story is set in the small town of River City, Iowa. It's 1912 and Harold Hill is on the move. Harold, a likeable con artist, makes his living traveling from town to town, starting boys' bands. When the trusting parents fork over the cash for instruments and uniforms, he skips town cash in hand.

But in River City, he runs up against a rather attractive obstacle—Marian Paroo. Marian is the school librarian and music teacher, and she sees through Harold's ruse. So as the townsfolk and students enthuse over the idea of a school band, Harold does his best to woo Marian—at least keep her from revealing his scheme.

The Music Man features such classic tunes as "On Indiana," "Trouble in River City," "Seventy-Six Trombones," and "Til They Was You."

Tickets for the show can be purchased for \$39.50, \$34.50 and \$21.50. To reserve seats, call the Memorial Auditorium box office: 423-642-TIXS.

Othello shows even best relationships destroyed by distrust

KELLY MCAULIFFE
STAFF WRITER

"This heavy act with heavy heart relate," —Othello, William Shakespeare.

Sunday night found me in UTC's Fine Arts Center anxiously awaiting the curtain's rise for the first act of Othello, Shakespeare's famous tale of passion, deceit and murder. Prior to the night's performance, I had only seen one Shakespeare play—Much Ado About Nothing—live, and

though it was superbly done, I've heard horror stories from others of the bard gone bad in the hands of amateurs. Thankfully, the evening's entertainment did not disappoint.

Strong themes of racism and jealousy are the focus of Othello. The play shows that even the best of relationships can be destroyed by lack of trust. The title character, a Moor and general, marries Desdemona, the daughter of a Venetian senator. Iago, Othello's ensign, is sick with

envy. Weaving an intricate web of lies and innuendo that leaves no one untouched, he single-handedly destroys many an innocent soul.

Taking slight artistic liberties, the Aquila Theatre Company, added a beautifully choreographed introduction to the play. Performing Othello's final speech at the very beginning, proved very effective—especially since its full poignancy was not realized until he repeated the lines in the final scene.

The entire cast was superb. Richard Willis, playing the treacherous Iago, stood a head above the rest. His delivery, reminiscent of Kenneth Branagh, was right on.

The touring Aquila Theatre Company, founded in London by Peter Meincke in 1991, performed the tragedy. Since its formation, Aquila has toured extensively in the United States, Canada and Europe. They have acted such well-loved classics as The Importance of Being Earnest,

The Iliad, and A Midsummer Night's Dream. For the 2004/2005 tour, the arc is to present an adaptation of H.G. Wells' Invisible Man and Shakespeare's Twelfth Night.

For more information on the Aquila Theatre Company and their touring schedule, visit: www.aquila-theatre.com. And, for a listing of plays to be performed at UTC (including Streetcar Named Desire), see March 18), call the Fine Arts Center: 423-425-4269.

Tony's Business Beat

Economy better as new year begins

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Below are some economic indicators that help to provide an idea of where the economy is heading. As the new year starts it seems as though the economy is doing better. Why? Well, the following indicators below give some reasoning as to why the future looks brighter than the recent past.

Consumer confidence Factor orders

What is it?
Consumer confidence is considered important because consumer spending accounts for more than two-thirds of U.S. economic activity. The monthly Conference Board survey is one of the two most closely watched indicators of sentiment. Based on a mail-in survey sent to about 5,000 households. Results are converted to an index and expressed in comparison to the 1985 average of 100.

Recent figures	
Dec.*	91.3
Nov.	92.5
Oct.	81.7
Sept.	77.0
Aug.	81.7
July	77.0
June	83.5
May	83.6
April	81.0
March	61.4
Feb.	64.8
Jan. 03	78.8

Source: The Conference Board

What is it?
Data on new orders for manufactured goods, adjusted for seasonal variation, offer a good indicator of the manufacturing sector's health, closely watched because it is the most volatile part of the economy. Expressed as percent change from previous month.

Source: Census Bureau

Recent figures	
Nov.	-1.4%
Oct.	2.4%
Sept.	1.4%
Aug.	-0.3%
July	2.0%
June	1.9%
May	0.3%
April	-2.6%
March	1.5%
Feb.	-0.5%
Jan. 03	1.6%
Dec.	0.3%

Consumer inflation

What is it?
The most widely known and used measure of inflation, the Consumer Price Index is based on the price of a "basket" of goods including food, beverages, fuel, medical care and clothing. Value refers to year-over-year change in "core" prices, excluding volatile food and energy categories.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Recent figures	
Dec.	1.1%
Nov.	1.1%
Oct.	1.3%
Sept.	1.2%
Aug.	1.3%
July	1.5%
June	1.5%
May	1.6%
April	1.5%
March	1.7%
Feb.	1.7%
Jan. 03	1.9%

Retail sales

What is it?
A broad measure of consumer spending trends. Includes sales of motor vehicles, clothing, food at both grocery stores and restaurants, electronics, building materials drugs and other items. Expressed as a percent change from previous month, adjusted for seasonal variations but not price changes.

Recent figures	
Dec.*	0.5%
Nov.	1.2%
Oct.	0.0%
Sept.	-0.3%
Aug.	1.0%
July	1.4%
June	0.9%
May	0.5%
April	-0.3%
March	2.3%
Feb.	-1.4%
Jan. 03	0.4%

Source: Census Bureau

Unemployment rate

What is it?
One of the best known and most politically powerful economic indicators, the rate is calculated from a monthly survey among a sample of about 60,000 households. The rate is adjusted for seasonal variations, but unlike most economic statistics it is never revised.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Recent figures	
Dec.	5.7%
Nov.	5.9%
Oct.	6.0%
Sept.	6.1%
Aug.	6.1%
July	6.2%
June	6.4%
May	6.1%
April	6.0%
March	5.8%
Feb.	5.8%
Jan. 03	5.7%

What is it?
Housing starts are a good indicator to assess demand for housing and construction industry health. Represents the number of new residential buildings, including single-family and multifamily homes, where construction was started. Expressed as a seasonally adjusted annual rate.

Recent figures	
Nov.*	2,070,000
Oct.	1,980,000
Sept.	1,931,000
Aug.	1,831,000
July	1,890,000
June	1,844,000
May	1,745,000
April	1,742,000
March	1,640,000
Jan. 03	1,828,000
Dec.	1,815,000

new residential structures in 2002, the highest level since 1986.

GDP

What is it?
The gross domestic product is the broadest measure of the economy, comprising the value of all goods and services produced in the United States. It is reported quarterly with frequent revisions. Generally expressed as a percentage change from the previous quarter in "real" or inflation-adjusted terms. Economists presume real GDP is capable of growing at an annual rate of about 3.5 percent over the long term. When GDP declines

Recent figures	
Q3*	8.2%
Q2	3.3%
Q1 2003	1.4%
Q4	1.4%
Q3	4.0%
Q2	1.3%
Q1 2002	5.0%
Q4	2.7%
Q3	-0.3%
Q2	-1.6%
Q1 2001	-0.6%
Q4	1.1%

over a sustained period of time the economy is considered to be in recession.

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Employment situation

What is it?
Represents the month-to-month change in jobs on payrolls of the nation's business, government and non-profit establishments. Generally considered a more accurate indicator of labor market health than the unemployment rate. Analysts estimate the economy should add about 150,000 jobs monthly to keep up with the nation's growing work force. Based on a sample of 300,000 establishments employing

Recent figures	
Dec.*	1,000
Nov.	43,000
Oct.	100,000
Sept.	99,000
Aug.	35,000
July	-57,000
June	-83,000
May	-76,000
April	-22,000
March	-151,000
Feb.	-121,000
Jan. 03	158,000

nearly a third of the nation's workers, the figure is adjusted for seasonal variations and frequently revised.

Home sales (seasonally adjusted annual rate)

What is it?
One of the bright spots of the economy in recent years, driven at least in part by historically low mortgage rates is home sales. Figure represents the sum of new and existing single-family home sales, expressed as a seasonally adjusted annual rate. In 2002, a record 6.5 million homes were sold.

Sources: National Association of Realtors, Census

Recent figures	
Nov.*	7,142,000
Oct.	7,459,000
Sept.	7,817,000
Aug.	7,650,000
July	7,275,000
June	7,090,000
May	6,931,000
April	6,854,000
March	6,598,000
Feb.	6,795,000
Jan. 03	7,029,000
Dec.	6,973,000

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RELIGION

Promise claim

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Guest Contributor

"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into the harvest field." Matt. 9:37

God is coming very soon and He is sending out His workers to reap the harvest. As I sit and listen to the Students speaking for week of prayer, I am encouraged and praise God, because I can see how He is working in peoples' lives and raising up leaders to share the gospel of Jesus Christ.

I have especially enjoyed the decorations and theme of "Promise Claim," because all

of us at some point have dealt with a broken promise. But God's promises are unfailing and through the speakers God is calling us to claim His promises and trust in Him.

I believe this year's week of prayer has had the most impact on me because I listen to the speakers and each one of their messages and see God touching lives across the campus. It makes me think of what great leaders are sitting in the café or in convocation.

I would like to thank Campus Ministries for all their hard work and allowing themselves to be used by God to impress this campus in a positive way. Thank you.



Photo by Rachel Day

Yvonne Saint-Villiers sings "Come as you are" by Jaci Velasquez on Monday for student week of prayer.

24 ministerial trainees inducted

SEAN REED
Religion Editor

Twenty-four theology majors were inducted into the Ministerial Training program this last weekend. This ceremony marked the formal entry of these students into the theology program, enabling them to participate in the School of Religion's summer field school of evangelism.

General Conference vice-president Michael Ryan spoke for Friday vespers, the Sabbath morning induction service, and a special Sabbath afternoon world church report.

Friday evening Dr. Dong Jacobs, associate professor of ministry and homiletics, highlighted last year's field school of evangelism with a video of Southern theology majors preaching and baptizing men and women introduced to Jesus through their evangelistic meetings.

Over fifty souls were baptized after the meetings in Florida, Jacobs said. Dr. Ron Clouzet, dean of the School of Religion, commenting on the video and field school of evangelism experience, stated "There's no greater joy than leading someone to Jesus Christ."

The ministerial inductees were called forward and intro-

duced by Clouzet just before Dr. Gordon Biezt, president of Southern Adventist University, introduced the evening's speaker.

Ryan's talk, peppered with stories of his encounters with Adventist mission pioneers around the world, focused on God's new generation—those who have faith in God and faithfully serve Him.

"The Bible divides people into two categories," said Ryan, "those who have faith and serve [God], and those

those preparing for the ministry; the call is extended to all, regardless of career, gender, or age. "The pastors alone will never finish the work," Ryan said.

Nearly all those present stood at Ryan's invitation as he closed with a prayer of commitment.

Ryan spoke the next morning in the Thatcher Hall chapel for the actual induction service. Generally those attending a School of Religion church service have the pleas-

ministry," he said to the inductees as he spoke of loyalty to the church and to the mission. The emphasis, however, was placed on a higher loyalty. "We must be loyal to the truth," he emphatically stated. In speaking of this loyalty to the truth, Ryan emphasized three "trimmings" of loyalty: unity, quality of spiritual life, and growth through proclamation of the truth. Speaking of truth he said, "The very fiber of loyalty is the truth."

Ryan related numerous mission stories as he highlighted the importance of proclamation, one of the trimmings of loyalty. He concluded one such story with these words: "No one has to be good enough for Jesus."

At the close of his message, Ryan called for the inductees to stand if it was their desire and goal to be loyal to the truth, to be loyal to Jesus Christ. Along with the inductees, the entire congregation stood.

After the message, Clouzet took the podium to call the students forward to be inducted. He asked them ten questions of commitment. The inductees responded to each question with a hearty "amen." The faculty of the School of Religion, along with all pastors present were invited to come forward and join

the inductees for a dedication. After the prayer, the congregation joined in singing "Jesus I Have Promised."

Sabbath afternoon Ryan gave a report on the world church with stories of God's miraculous workings around the globe. The report focused not on numbers and statistics but on individual stories of church growth about Global Mission pioneers.

When a student asked how best college students can prepare for mission service, Ryan emphasized the importance of obtaining a college education but more importantly knowing God. "Place your hand in God's hand," he said, "and make sure you know Him." Also, Ryan challenged students to ask, "Am I willing to go anywhere for Jesus?" In conclusion he expressed the importance of sharing Jesus locally while seeking to share Jesus globally. "I hope you don't pass by Collegedale the process."

The induction weekend was marked by commitment. The inductees committed to pursuing their call to be pastors. "Jesus is coming soon," Ryan proclaimed as he concluded, "and there's a huge harvest of souls." Each of us is called to participate in that harvest.

"Jesus is calling a new generation that believes he is coming soon."

who do not."

Turning to Hebrews 11, Ryan spoke strongly of the importance of faith in the Christian's life, especially with regards to ministry.

Ryan concluded his message with a stirring call to service. "Jesus is calling a new generation that believes that Jesus is coming soon," Ryan said, "I believe that He is calling you to be part of that new generation." He emphasized that Jesus does not only call

ure of listening to four or five sermons.

The religion professors participating in the services are inclined to each offer a homily. At the Sabbath morning service, however, a few professors surprised a number of those in attendance by merely reading the scripture and praying without the additional homilies.

The morning message by Ryan, was well received. "You've been called to a holy

Experience.



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OPINION

Thumbs-up Thumbs-down

By Justin Kobylka



A belated thumbs up to dozens of atomic clocks scattered around campus this school year. All I can say is, thanks and get more! Hopefully these clocks will help synchronize the campus and should help those who have to walk from Brock to Hickman every day only to find out that they are in different time zones.



Thumbs down to students who remove, mutilate and otherwise damage cafeteria silverware and plates. I do not doubt that some of these same people complain about the high tuition of this University, so listen up. The cafeteria has spent up to \$1000 per month replacing lost or damaged eating equipment.



Thumbs up to whoever contributes to the weekly Thumbs up, Thumbs down column. Here's a chance to get your name in the Accent and still do minimal writing! Here's the criteria: submissions must be a short paragraph about an issue that a large number of students or faculty can relate to. (No, "Thumbs down to my roommate...") Other than that, have fun. On the thumbs down, be honest but tactful. Email your submissions to jkobylka@southern.edu.



Thumbs down to the campus safety driver who had a collision with two parked cars on campus this past weekend. We all make mistakes, but these guys need to be especially cautious since they drive around our parked cars all day

Editor's Corner Primaries Heat Up

JUSTIN KOBYLKA
Column Editor

Not long ago, Democratic presidential hopeful John Kerry made a surprise jump in Iowa poles and solidly won the state primary, making former front-runner Howard Dean resort to shouting out the names of various states.

Starting with this surprising reshuffling of candidates, the Democratic side of the presidential race is shaping up to what may be a surprising finish. One thing that isn't going to be a surprise is the Republican nomination, which will be our current president.

I was talking to a friend the other day about some of the candidates, when he said he really didn't care who was elected because none of them

would likely shake things up too much, and he wouldn't notice the effects anyway.

While this may be true on some level, whoever occupies the White House next year will likely determine many policies that will directly affect your life either now or later down the road. Not only that, our next president will make decisions that affect the safety of U.S. citizens. An even more difficult task the president will continue to face is the dilemma of trying to ensure national security without compromising freedom.

In this election year, I'd like to encourage all who care about this nation to pay a little attention to the political process. You might find that you'll even be compelled to get involved.

Don't blame SA for bad policies

RYAN CHILD
Guest Columnist

The Valentines Day Banquet is a yearly tradition on thousands of campuses all over the country. Here at Southern, it's no different. Sadly, our tradition also seems to be for people to immediately go negative and not give the banquet a chance.

Planning a banquet for so many people is not an easy task. The SA officers that make all of the arrangements do the best job they know how. It is unfair to them for people to not give them a chance because last year's wasn't what the audience expected. The SA officers are the best the school has to offer and they all work hard to do the best that they can for very little praise. Each year they have to come up with a creative way to host a banquet that is romantic and interesting while conforming to the rules of the University.

The rules are what make banquets disappointing. The rules prohibit behaviors, activities and music that the vast majority of students consider normal, for whatever reason, these rules don't change and year after year the SA is crippled by these policies.

Give the banquet a chance, it's a relatively inexpensive way to show someone special that you care for them and what an upbeat and fun person you are. Don't waste the

evening complaining, save it for later. Your date will thank you.

I am expecting there to be great fun had at the banquet this year. If your expectations are not met, then don't place the blame on the planners, they did their best and you should congratulate them, instead take your concerns and frustrations, write them up, and send them to Dr. Beitz or whomever else you feel like communicating with.

Judge not

MATTHEW LUCIO
Guest Contributor

"Do not judge, that you be not judged," is a favorite Bible quotation used by many to deflect criticism over their actions. But what does this particular segment of Matthew 7 really teach? What did Jesus intend for us to understand? Determining what Jesus meant when He told us about judging will be beneficial.

"For with what judgment you judge, you will be judged; and with the same measure you use, it will be measured back to you" (Matthew 7:2). Jesus follows this verse with a discussion regarding the danger of focusing on a speck in your brother's eye while having a plank in your own Jesus was, in this passage, condemning hypocrisy in the lives of people; Jesus was not telling people to never make any judgments. Point One: Do not be hypocritical in your judgments.

Jesus once told a group of religious leaders: "Do not judge according to appearance, but judge with righteous judgment" (John 7:24). He did not say, "Do not judge at all." Rather, Jesus admonished them to exercise "righteous" judgment. David pleaded with God saying, "Teach me good judgment" (Psalm 119:66). Good judgment leads us to conclude things like smoking pot at potluck is out of harmony with the Gospel. Point Two: For the Christian, judging between right and wrong is essential and

is the duty of all Bible-believing people.

"Neither do I condemn you, go and sin no more" (John 8:11). Spoken to the woman caught in adultery, Jesus exercises a perfect example of what He means by judgment. Judge the action, not the actor. Hate the sin, not the sinner. Determine that which is wrong while at the time loving the person or people who commit the wrong. Most people have difficulty reconciling the concept of loving someone and bating his or her evil deeds at the same time. This is why we have some people focusing on just loving people no matter what and others always pointing out wrongs and injustices. Point Three: We have the ability to judge whether something is right or wrong, but not whether someone's heart is right or wrong (that is up to God).

The Bible supplies judgment by Christians. Jesus wants us to realize, however, that we must judge fairly for we will be judged for our verdicts. Jesus forbids us to judge someone's heart (salvation or motives) because only God knows the heart; He does give us the right to judge between what is right and wrong, Christian and unchristian. Jesus commands us to "go and sin no more," but at the same time tells us "neither do I condemn you." Once we recognize that we must reconcile godly judgment with godly love, we will think more about what we say and why we say it.

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Second Coming

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OPINION COLUMNIST

What ever happened to the Second Coming? We all know that Jesus is coming back some day, and if you ask just about any Adventist around, you'll be told that He's coming "very soon." But if you instead "choose to simply watch and listen to Seventh-day Adventists' lives" and "conversations," excluding perhaps Sabbath morning hours, would the imminence of the Second Coming be so obvious?

When our early church founders believed that Jesus was coming soon, their lives changed in radical ways. Those who had money spent huge amounts on evangelism. Ordinary people such as William Miller suddenly found themselves preaching the news of a "soon-coming King." Farmers deserted their crops; businessmen left their stores. Millerite Adventists were mocked, scorned, and evicted from their churches - but their numbers grew by leaps and bounds nonetheless. But, then again, perhaps you don't think we need to emulate the early Adventists. After all, they were acting on misinformation. Jesus didn't come in 1844.

Long before William Miller and Ellen White, there was a group called Christians. They were composed of everyday people who had heard the story of a great Teacher named Jesus Christ, accepted His message and allowed it to change

their lives. When this Teacher left the earth, He told his followers that He would be returning soon. So they built their entire lives around the faith they had in His return. One of their most famous writers, a man named Paul, wrote, "We shall not all sleep," seeming to imply that Jesus' return would be within the lifetimes of at least a few of his readers. He eventually gave his life for this cause, as did numerous others. But his sect continued to grow by leaps and bounds, nonetheless. But...perhaps you don't think we need to emulate the early Christians. After all, they were just overly excited. They incorrectly assumed that the wait before His return would be a very short one.

I would have to differ. We are the spiritual descendants of both of these groups. We claim to believe that Jesus Christ is returning to the earth very soon to judge the nations. We are almost 2,000 years closer to the Jesus' return than the early Christians. So how come we aren't quite as excited as William Miller or the apostle Paul? Why isn't the Second Coming of Jesus a leading conversation topic? In the words of Simon Peter, another great leader of the excited early church, "Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, looking for and hastening unto the coming of the day of God?"

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Letter to the editor

Dear editor,

It seems as though the maturity level of some Southern students drops lower and lower each year. I was very disappointed by the behavior displayed in the church last Wednesday night as we celebrated after the electricity went out. How dare you come into God's House and treat it as if we were at some party or another social function other than church! 24-7, with or without electricity, have respect and reverence when you enter church. The shadow puppets being put out on the walls, ridiculous outbursts during prayer, loud talking and joking around during the service, and the boozing at campus safety was all unnecessary, rude and immature! I'm sure God was disappointed as well. Campus ministries and those participating put a lot of time and effort in these meetings. Sadly they are taken for granted. They did the best they could, given the circumstances and you just threw it back in their faces - and God's! You want to be treat-

ed like an adult - act like one! Last I checked, we were in college... don't you think it's time to grow up?

Shannon Lozano, senior psychology major

Last chance for Paris

The deadline for Valentines banquet ticket sales has been extended to Monday, February 2.

Ticket prices are \$18 to cover a meal and entertainment at the Chattanooga Convention Center; professional photography is extra. Visit the S.A. office to purchase tickets and sign up for tables.

Also, students without dates to the banquet can sign up to be matched up with another random student in the S.A.'s "blind date" program. Sign up for this are also on the bulletin board.

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SPORTS

Youngins Vs. Waffle House



Dustin Young, captain of team Youngins, drives by captain Keri Redfern of Waffle House Monday evening in the second half

M MARK GUNTHER
STAFF WRITER

This year's Super Bowl is finally shaping up to be the kind of Super Bowl real football fans of all teams should appreciate. Two evenly matched, well coached teams with similar yet contrasting styles of play will meet to decide which team will raise the Lombardi trophy. Two teams which were not considered favorites to win their divisions, let alone win their conferences are proving yet again that you don't have to win pretty to win, you just have to win PERIOD.

The Carolina Panthers and the New England Patriots are the type of football teams that,

in this writer's opinion, will thrive in the Free Agency future we have here. One player may keep a fan base in a city but it takes a well balanced team to win a championship. A no-name, no nonsense team has a better chance in the modern NFL to win a championship than a win heavy team in any given area. The Panthers and Patriots are so similar at their core philosophies that it's easy to believe that it's just two copies of the same team going at it in Houston this Sunday night.

Now, having said all this, my pick for the Super Bowl is that the Patriots will win their second Super Bowl in three years and that Tom Brady and the rest of the Patriots will finally get the respect they are due. Why? The Patriots have been there before and done all this before. Tom Brady was Jake Delhomme, the Panthers

starting quarterback, two years ago and knows exactly what it will take to win against this powerful Panther defense. The key for the game for the Pats is to go to their strengths: expensive, shut down defense in the red zone and short screen and slant passing in the offense. If this doesn't work, or the Panthers 'stop it before it even starts' defense and power running offense gets started faster, the Panthers definitely have the tools and the talent to snatch victory away from the Patriots. This humble reporter does, not forget, that the Panthers weren't picked to beat the Rams in the divisional playoffs and they did with the very same style that the Patriots used in 2001-2002.

But at the end of the day, I'm a Pats fan. And I say: Patriots 17, Panthers 10. P-A-T-S! PATS! PATS! PATS!

Showtime goes All Day

JUELLE JAMES
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

On Monday the 26th, Showtime had their first win of the season with their 37-30 win over All Day. Showtime's togetherness has had some improvement from the previous games and was seen in their defense. All Day had trouble penetrating the ball but there were some crucial break-downs in the wall of defense. All Day's Dante Strong hit a jumper in the first half closing their lead to one, 15-14.

The game began at a slow pace but began to pick up in the second half. Frustrated that their offensive strategies

weren't going the way that they hoped, All Days' Drew Brethea hit the wall after he was given a foul. The technical was what changed the pace of the game. Showtime's Edwin Urbina hit the tech and foul shots taking their lead to five.

But All Day didn't give up. The team exerted much effort

in stealing balls and blocking crucial shots to keep them selves in the game. The turning point was when showtime's Jermaine Andrade shot a three-pointer sealing the fate of All Day.

The two teams are to meet again the end of this week.



Casey Leno of team All Day fouls Showtime's Corey Waters Monday night during the first half.



Sam Thomas on team Wampler dodges captain Nate Briner of team Briner during Saturday night's 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament.

3-on-3 Tournament

JUELLE JAMES
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The Annual 3-on-3 Tournament took place last weekend. There were 24 teams that took part. They were divided into five categories of color, pink being designated to the females. Each team had to play each other twice. The tournament was double elimination. The games were twenty minutes, running fifteen-points. The winners must win the game by two and if there was overtime, it was sudden death.

There weren't any referees on any of the courts and the players took their own score.

"I was pleased with the sportsmanship of the players because they refereed their own games, fairly," said John Pangman, Intramural Director.

Gold Division Team, Campbell meets Black Division Team, Castellanos in the championship. Campbell won the whole tournament on the guy's side and for the girls, Mitan won the tournament.



Photo by Jacqui Sealey
Showtime's Mario Broussard tries to block All Day's Kevin Jackson as he aims for a jump shot Monday night.



the campus Chatter

Week of: January 29 - February 5

Eric Chu
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THURSDAY, JANUARY 29

- 12:00 am Convocation - Student Week of Prayer - Gina Thurber (Church)
6:00 pm Club/Dept. Student Organization President's Meeting (Presidential Banquet Room)

Birthdays: Felicia Ford, Sheldon Wright

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

- See Calendar for Adjusted Class Schedule for Student Week of Prayer
SA Senate Donut Day (Promenade)
7:45 am Convocation - Student Week of Prayer - Christine Jensen (Church)
12:00 am Sunset
6:07 pm Vespers - Student Week of Prayer - John Reogio (Church)
8:00 pm

Birthdays: Stephanie Bentzinger, Jenny Grigger, Jonathan Davidson, Christina Davis, Bryce Fisher, Chelsea Heydt, Jasmine Rivera, Yvonne Saint-Villiers, Jimmie Tan, Travis Wilt

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31

- 9:00 am Collegedale Church Service - Albert Handal
10:00 am The Third - Mike Fulbright (Iles)
10:00 am "Student Center Sabbath School" (Student Center)
10:00 am "Another Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
11:30 am Collegedale Church Service - Albert Handal
2:00 pm Street Ministries (Leaving Wright Hall)
6:00 pm Evensong (Church)
8:00 pm Warren Miller Ski Movie (Iles)

Birthdays: Eli Courey, Ben Cruz, Kelly Gunter, Nichole Perkins, Caleb Robinson, Juanita Hamill

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1

- 4:00 pm Tom Koopman, Organ (Church) - Double Convocation Credit
6:00 pm SA Super Bowl Party (Iles)
Black History Month (1-29)

Birthdays: Michael Benggon, Hans Castleberg, Shannon Hayward, Ryan Heilmann, Rick Hickman, Gabriel Johnson, Greg Kaminski, Aaron McNulty, Daniel Medina, Phillip Neuhaert, Lewanda Smith, Tami Teixeira, Ganavane Diap, Richard Johnson

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2

- 12:00 pm SA Media Applications/Portfolio due (Student Services)
12:00 pm SA Election Petitions due (SA office)
3:30 pm Academic Affairs

Birthdays: Joshua Bennett, Emily Flotmann, Karissa Hansen, Rachael Lingerfelt, Cesar Rivera, Nikki Simmons

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

- 9am - 5 pm Book Buy Back (Campus Shop)
11am - 6 pm Study Skills Seminar (Student Seminar Room)
6:00 pm Tornado Siren Test
6:00 pm SA Candidate Election Orientation (Robert Merchant Room)
7:00 pm Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)
Floor Hockey Sign-ups

Birthdays: Ashley Hauser, Melody Jorgenson, Christy Ketcherside, Jeremy Moretz, Anthony Southard, Clayton Greenleaf

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

- 9am - 5 pm Book Buy Back (Campus Shop)
7:00 pm SA Senate (White Oak Room)
7:00 pm Preparing for Marriage Class (Church Training Chapel)

Birthdays: Mark Cooper, Becky McCarty, Leidy Rodriguez, Derek Sherbondy, Elizabeth Vargas, Larry Turner

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5

- 12:00 am Convocation - Black History - Frank W. Hale Jr., Vice Provost & Professor Emeritus - Ohio State University (Church)

Birthdays: Sam Rosales, Stewart Seralde, Penny Webster

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GENERAL

Female actor needed for short student film. Open auditions will be held Friday, Jan. 30, from 8-10:00 am at Ackerman Auditorium. If you have any questions please contact Leslie Foster by phone (238-3305) or e-mail (leslie@southern.edu).

Saturday Night: Miller,

assisted by skiing legend Glen Plack, takes you on the JOURNEY of a lifetime, illuminating the obsession with skiing that has kept him and his cameras on the mountain for 54 years. The Warren Miller camera crew travels near and far with world-class athletes, capturing the year's best skiing and snowboarding footage from around the globe. First, Olympic gold medalist and U.S. Ski Team member Bode Miller embarks on an exceptional journey to the backcountry of British Columbia, demonstrating his skills off the racecourse. Then, skiers and kayakers dive into the depths of Morocco, discovering a mystical adventure in a mysterious place. Next, hold onto your seat, as Michal Black and Kent Kreidler ride out the surging snow on the 45 degree steep of Cordova, Alaska. And finally, Warren Miller himself makes a comeback on the big screen, cruising through powder as he takes us on a private ski adventure to his personal playground, the Yellowstone Club. With a grace that can only develop from more than 54 years of skiing the world, Miller is still blasting down the mountain at the remarkable age of 78.

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Super Bowl Party: Think it's just a last resort place to watch the Super Bowl? Think again! The SA Super Bowl party, featuring the New England Patriots and the North Carolina Panthers, will be on February 2, starting 30 minutes before kick off. Come for free pizza, free tee shirts for your team, and a great evening honoring the All-American Sport!

Valentine's Banquet: The Student Association proudly presents "A Night in Paris," the annual Valentine's Banquet. Raising the standard for any banquet, this evening of elegance and beauty is designed to entertain you and your date in a personal way. Eat what you want, see what you want, move where you want. And go afterwards where you want. Rembrandts, Stone Cup, Mud Pies, Northshore Grille and several other downtown establishments are offering discounts that evening with your banquet ticket.

Become an SA Officer: Stop by the SA Office for more information. Executive Officer Applications are now available. The deadline is February 2.

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Are you staying around here and looking for something to do over Spring Break? If you would like to participate in an area (in Chattanooga) community service/mission trip, please come by the Chaplain's Office to sign up or get more details.

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What I say to my mother

ROBERT JACOBSON
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Rebecca Chung, the liberated Asian female whom we met in my last article, has had some comments about what I have written for the humor page. As you no doubt remember, I wrote about how Chris Bradley, my roommate for three years, once thought it was opposite day and started using the ladies room.

Rebecca wondered about why I lived for so long with someone who uses restrooms meant for people of the opposite gender. She also wondered what else I have to say to my mother other than how it rains and getting to class via gondola.

I have spent the vast majority of my time the last four

weeks trying to determine if those two statements are related. To be on the safe side, I thought I'd better write about what else I say to my mother, if for no other reason than to set the record straight, so to speak.

Speaking of being straight, my mother will interrupt my rousing flood of loquacity about my senior math thesis to ask if I've been seeing anyone lately. (We have wildly divergent concepts of "interesting conversation.") In fact, this is how most of our conversations start. But after the few grunting noises I have to offer on the subject, she usually won't let it go. I can only conclude that she has a malevolent concern for my social well-being. Then we usually strike up a conversation about nature—or at least she does—the effect of which is that

I need to date so-and-so whom she happens to know is attending Southern right now. It's only natural. At this point, I typically make a comment along the lines of, "Er, umm... I... er..." immediately followed by, "I did ask this one girl to go to the bookstore with me a couple weeks ago. She kicked me in the groin and blew her safety whistle. That's nature's way of saying 'Danger.'"

My mother always has a way to put a positive spin on things, though, so that life appears a beautiful thing to have happened around the bookshelves by myself that night, she explains, but the whistle had one of the most exhilarating evenings of its life. I just can't argue with that.

The joy of Adventist food

NATANIEL REYES
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

DISCLAIMER: Warning, for those of you who don't know me, I'm sporean (half Spanish, half Korean). In my world we speak differently and very badly I might say. When you read this I must warn you their will be misplace phrases, grammatical errors. Made up words, and overwhelming sentence that your head might explode. So if you need a translation please feel free to call me at 892-0721 or find a sporean translator. Thank you and enjoy.

You know being as a kid I

was trick into during a few things that my parents told that they were (which they were) but you didn't want to do it. One of those tricks was food (and I got trick into that too much) the example I'll be using is the wonderful Sweet potato casserole. Now being as a kid you always to have sweets cause is in the blood and you must have it as a kid. And so one Sabbath day my mother decided to make this dish that I had not seen before so I look at it and lo and behold there are marshmallows on top of the meal. Yes, I said it MARSHMALLOWS. And I'm think

FANCY Marshmallows for lunch. Can life get any better I submit it CANNOT (Regan 2001) and so I'm really excited about this dish and so I'm making a huge side in the middle of the dish getting ready for this marshmallow extravaganza!!!!!!! But when I dip into this creation lo and behold there's this orange stuff below I'm thinking "DOUBLE FANCY MOSES, there's orange marshmallow I'm getting to bite into this but to my dismay IT'S ALL A LIE, LIES, LIES, LIES. Curse those parents who try and make there kids healthy.

MOSES.

INSIGHTFUL INSIGHTS

By Jon Palmer

Sometimes when I am in class I like to think I am in a big rocket ship, going to the moon. 'Cause sometimes class is boring.

My sister

BECKY WHETMORE
HUMOR EDITOR

I'm writing this article for my sister. She can't write it since the "student voice" applies mostly just to local political platforms and students of this specific university. That and she's afraid the squirrels are still after her.

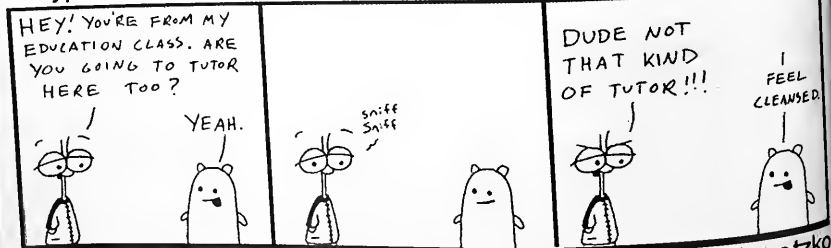
Besides, lately she feels the ironies of life are too overwhelming. Her mother's going to China (mine too) and she's starring in "the Foreigner." The humor page has started to become actually humorous despite our best efforts to thwart it. Squirrels have only tried to kill her twice this year through Geico-commercial-like incidents and besides, my birthday is often heralded as National Irony Day or Martin Luther King Day or the day of the President's inauguration depending on the year.

In celebrating my birthday this last week my parents stranded her at her (albeit inferior and humor pageless) college for several bours. This was a delightful observance of a practice started several years ago when my parents left her at church and the police of po-

dunk aka McMinnville, Tennessee not only didn't believe her phone number really was 765-5555 but didn't bother to call. Maybe she thought it was a dyslexic number or maybe she's just fated to be forgotten. Much like her stint at Southern.

Have no fear. Since no one can easily tell the difference between us anyway (Is the hair color that confusing? Or is it just some squirrelly plot?) I've decided to channel her onto the page anyway. Actually it's just fodder for the opinion page/letters to the editor. Besides, next week I plan to become a supermodel anyway, using the humor page as my own forum. She could the other hand will be starring as mentioned earlier in a tiny community theatre production in which she plays a snooty whiny ex-debutant. (Wait, so the only acting for her will be the ex-debutant part?) I'm sure our fame and fortune will rival that of the Hilton sisters. Look forward to seeing us some time soon on a cheap Fox reality show... No, I'm not implying that Roger is big fat or obese, just because he hasn't bothered to become a real fiancé yet.

Claypot tutors at the local academy...



by Justin Janetzko

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Photo by Tim Jester

Ashleigh Cohen presents her "I have a dream speech," to a packed cafe.

Student charges cafe with hypocrisy

DON CANTRELL
News Editor

Students dining in the cafe Wednesday evening were stunned as a passionate, impromptu speech railing against the absence of mustard and pepper was delivered.

Seimor Public Relations major Ashleigh Cohen, standing on top of a table, voiced her opinion in front of a packed Cafe dining room.

Cohen chose a night in the cafe when sub sandwiches, a food commonly featuring mustard in off-campus eateries, were served.

"I have a dream," shouted Cohen, "that one day, every student of every race, every age and every gender can come into this cafeteria and find the black next to the white—the pepper next to the salt."

Confused by the cafe's menu, which follows questionable foods such as pickles and ice cream, yet shuns condiments like mustard and pepper, Cohen considered voicing this opinion in an article to be featured in the Accent, but decided a speech would be more convincing.

Cohen concluded that discussing the controversial issue would only upset school officials, and said it would hopefully motivate other students to take action.

Cohen concluded by asking, "what has this world and school come to when mustard and pepper have been expelled from our sub sandwiches? And I ask a deeper question: what are you going to do about it? I have a dream!"



Photo by Melita Pujol

Former missionary in Majuro, Joy Brown fills Sherrie Norton's position as mission mom.

Southern hires a new "Mission Mom"

DANIELLE MUHLENBECK
Staff Writer

Joy Brown, mother of two has extended her family. As the new Student Mission's Director, Brown is now a "mission mom" to hundreds of former and current student missionaries.

"I felt like God was calling me," said Brown.

Brown was asked to apply for the position in October by former director Sherri Norton.

"She has the same passion for missions as I do," said Norton who has held the position for fifteen years.

Unsatisfied with her position as a nurse Brown applied for the recommended position and was hired in December.

Brown is a former missionary. She served on the island of Majuro from 1996 to 2002. While there she met and nurtured on aver-

age 20-25 student missionaries per year.

"I was a mother to them and a nurse to them, our doors were always open," said Brown.

Emily Flottmann, a former student missionary who served on the island along with Brown agrees. "She had us over every Sabbath for padlock. She went out of her way for us," said Flottmann.

"I loved working with the young people and being a part of their mission experience," said Brown.

Brown now works with the students who need her before and after they return from the mission field. According to Norton there is paperwork, screening and a training process to complete before a student can serve as a missionary. Norton will assist Brown throughout each phase.

"She is doing really well and understanding the process," said Norton.

There are currently 61 students going through the application process with Brown and Norton. Compared to previous years that enrollment number is normal for the month of January, however the mission field is still in need.

"Schools will close if we do not send enough students out [to the field]," said Ben Martin, president of the student missions club.

Aware of the current need for student missionaries, Brown plans on working with the student missions club to raise the enrollment.


"I believe that the young people are the ones who are going to carry the message," said Brown.

If you are interested in becoming a student missionary you can contact the "mission mom" at the chaplains office for more information.

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Tim Jester
If you wanted tickets to the banquet, you're out of luck!

"Loose lips sink ships."
-United States
Department of
Defense

Southern enforces the "No Candle" ban

University cracks down on students who light candles during the blackout

MARANATHA HAY
STAFF WRITER

Thatcher Hall residents who left their candles burning without supervision during last week's power outage may be fined up to \$200.

During a routine sweep of the dorm, Thatcher RA's discovered over a dozen rooms with burning candles.

"I should have assumed that there was a rule, but I didn't really think about it at that moment. It was just so dark in my room. We didn't have anything to see by," said LeeAnn Paulson, a freshman English major. Paulson and her roommate decided to light a candle after their lights went out.

Candle sweeps were also done in Talge, but according to Dwight Magers, dean of men, none were found.

Around 6:45 p.m. last Wednesday, Southern's main residence halls lost power, which left students without phones, outlets, and overhead lights. Two hours later the safety lights in the hallways flickered off, leaving the illuminating glow of exit lights as the only source of light on halls. In Thatcher, students went off campus to study or crowded around the stairwell. And some of them stayed in their rooms and lit candles.

Despite goodwill, lighting candles in rooms still carries a hefty fine of \$200, as stated in Southern's student handbook.



Photo by Jacqui Sealey

Sophmores Deanna Harris, Suzanne Trude, and Sarah Jackson study by emergency lights in a stairwell on first floor West Thatcher during last Wednesday's power-out.

But not all of those discovered with candles last Wednesday may be fined. As Thatcher RA's went through routine sweeps of the dorm, names of only those who left candles unattended were given to the dean, said a Thatcher RA.

"I understand why people lit their candles, I'm not going to say that I don't," said Lewanda Smith, a junior psychology major, and a RA for second east.

But university officials and Thatcher deans say that it

Southern's No-Candle Rule
"Fire Hazards: Use of candles, incense, open-flame lamps, or any other item that could cause a fire or smoke-related incident will result in a fine of up to \$200. That person will be responsible for any damages caused and the fine."

~ Southern Student Handbook.

doesn't lessen the fact that every time a student lights a candle, they are playing with fire.

"Should it (a candle) result in the death of a person, you could be tried for involuntary manslaughter," said Eddie Avant, campus safety director.

And with the memory of Auburn's crisped girl's dorm in the back of the dean's minds, no one is ready to take any chances.

"I don't want to have to call a parent and tell them their child was burnt up in my residence hall," said Sharon Engel, dean of women.

But people aren't the only things in a dorm that can't be replaced.

According to the student handbook, students are also liable for any property damages

that are caused by fire hazards. "All I can tell you is that if the dorm burned down, the girls would lose everything. Millions and millions of dollars in damages," said Engel.

Not everyone was fined during the blackout last Wednesday night, but the rule still stands: no candles in the dorms.

"I understand, but you have to look at the bigger picture. What if something was to catch on fire?" said Smith.

Campus Safety director Eddie Avant confirmed that cause of last week's power outage was indeed a fault in a set of underground power lines on campus. The recently installed lines had redundant backups installed with them, so no evacuation was necessary for the repairs to be completed.

and Oakwood students.

"I feel that the retreat focused on more than race relations. It focused on leadership and the diverse styles that people have. I took into account the background of the people and gave those who attended some skills to work effectively with people as a leader," said S.A. President Paul Hoover.

Hoover believes that although the number of students who attended DEEP was small, they can make a pos-

Valentine's Banquet: Is it worth going to?

SALEISHA WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

This year's Student Association Valentine's Banquet will be held in the Chattanooga Trade and Convention Center on Feb. 8 from 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

The SA understands that in the past, students have been disappointed in the food and entertainment at the Valentine's Banquet. Perhaps for this reason, sales and student excitement for this year's banquet, called "A Night in Paris," have taken a plunge.

"It's pointless going because it's just a bunch of people, dressed up and getting together. Where's the fun in that?" said Jamie Muhlenbeck,

freshman psychology major. "This year's theme is based on the idea of people flooding the streets of a European city after a quiet meal," said S.A. President Paul Hoover.

The evening will begin with a delicious buffet dinner featuring pasta as piano music fills the room. After the meal, guests will be free to roam the "streets," where there will be jugglers, serenading musicians, artists drawing caricatures of couples, and more.

"We are trying to make the banquet feel like an evening where people

can enjoy their dates, not a list of scheduled events," said Wentworth.

SA increased ticket prices by three dollars this year in order to make the evening more spectacular.

Banquet attendance includes additional perks. Students who take their banquet tickets to Rembrandt, Mud Pies, Stone Cup, or Clumpies that night will receive a 10% discount.

"It will definitely be a night you won't want to miss. There [have] been

hours and hours of planning and work put into the banquet," said Erica Chu.

SA's executive secretary, SA expects the Valentine's Banquet to be a spectacular event set at a decent price. Monday, Feb. 2, is the final day to get tickets.

Southern, Oakwood leaders attend DEEP weekend

DON CANTRELL
NEWS EDITOR

Southern and Oakwood students sharpened their leadership skills together at the annual DEEP retreat at the end of January.

Traditionally, DEEP has been designed to improve race relations, and give students of different races time to interact, learn and grow together. However, the focus of this year's DEEP retreat has shifted to leadership education with Southern

and Oakwood students.

"I feel that the retreat focused on more than race relations. It focused on leadership and the diverse styles that people have. I took into account the background of the people and gave those who attended some skills to work effectively with people as a leader," said S.A. President Paul Hoover.

Hoover believes that although the number of students who attended DEEP was small, they can make a pos-

itive impact on their student bodies. "Many of the people who attended I believe it was a life changing event for them because it was putting everyone outside of their comfort zone and taught us to work together as team were no one gets left behind."

Activities for DEEP participants included a hike on Stone Mountain, a visit to the Martin Luther King Jr. memorial site and tickets to an Atlanta Hawks game.

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University searches for three new biology professors

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STAFF WRITER

The biology/allied health department is looking for three new professors. The new professors will take the places of Dr. Steve Nyrady, Dr. Safaw Gullo and Dr. Joel Ongaro.

A search committee has been selected to review the applications for new professors, said Dr. Keith Snyder, search committee member. Snyder will succeed Dr. Nyrady as chair of the biology/allied health department next fall.

The search committee consists of all the biology and allied health staff along with two students, Michael Benggon, senior biology major and Stephanie Johns, senior chemistry major. The committee also has a pro-

fessor not associated with the department, Dr. Chris Hansen from physics.

The biology/allied health department has posted messages online to SDA colleges letting them know that Southern is looking for biology professors. As the applications come in, the search committee looks for potential candidates. A selected few are requested to come for an interview and to guest lecture for a class. Afterwards, the search committee asks students for feedback. After a candidate is chosen, the committee will send their recommendation to the university president. The president takes it to the university board for a final decision,

Snyder said.

Nyrady, and his wife Laura, a professor in the school of nursing, are leaving at the end of the semester for Loma Linda University.

"After prayerful consideration, my wife and I have decided to leave after serving for 18 years," said Nyrady, who will be the associate dean for admissions in the school of medicine. Mrs. Nyrady will teach in the school of nursing.

"[I] along with the rest of the department, will assist the advisory committee to screen students for medical school and process their applications," Nyrady said.

Three contributing factors

encouraged him to accept the job. First, he feels God is calling him to go. Second, he will be living near two of his sons. Third, he will be doing what he loves, working with students in the field of medicine.

Dr. Gullo, an anatomy and physiology professor, leaves May 31 to accept a teaching position in the biology department at Oakwood College, in Huntsville, Ala.

"I have four reasons for leaving," Gullo said. "Increase in salary, more chances for research, no teaching during the summer and a lighter teaching load," said the professor who has been at Southern almost four years.

Also completing a near four-year term was Dr. Joel Ongaro, botanist and ecologist. He left the department last summer to teach at a New Jersey community college.

Even though this is a lot of change in one department, Nyrady said it has nothing to with Southern these professors are leaving.

He added, "I consider it to have been a pleasure as well as a privilege to have worked at Southern Adventist University for almost two decades. As much as the university has progressed during this time, its best years are still to come."

"Walking by the Sea"

SARA BANDEL
STAFF WRITER

Motivational speaker and bestselling author Becky Tirabassi will speak at Southern Adventist University's biannual Mother-Daughter Brunch on Feb. 15.

"It [the brunch] is a lot of work, but it is neat to see all the mothers," Don Engel of Thatcher Hall said.

The brunch will be hosted by Thatcher Hall's deans and will begin at 10:00 a.m. The menu will include waffles and fruit among other tasty treats.

The theme for this year's brunch will center on one of Dean Krause's favorite places: the beach. The brunch has been appropriately named "A Morning by the Sea."

The speaker, Becky Tirabassi, called her life needed to change when she was 21 and an alcoholic. According to her website, an encounter with God and a janitor changed her life. In 1984, Becky made a life-altering decision to devote an hour a day in prayer and Bible study. She now encourages people to spend time in daily prayer and Bible reading.

To promote the habits that changed her own life, Tirabassi has written a book entitled "Change Your Life." To supplement the book, she has also created the "Change Your Life Daily Journal." Tirabassi has kept her own personal journal for over 18 years. She believes that journaling is an important part of a balanced life. In addition to writing books, she has presented the subject of prayer to more than half a million people. Tirabassi passionately presents guidelines for living a successful, God-pleasing life.

KELLY LAUREN RAZZOUK
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

"May peace prevail on earth" was the theme heard throughout the halls of the United Nations in New York today as over 600 young people gathered to launch the "Season for Non-Violence 2004."

Participants came from as far as Los Angeles and Atlanta to be part of the special event. "We as young people need to set the tone—it starts with us," stated a student of Susan Wagner High School. The program included music and drama presented by local New York students, as well as a video depicting the lives of Mahatma Gandhi and Martin Luther King, Jr.

The echoing message of the day was that nonviolence starts with one person. Students talked about their schools and the violence that was taking place in their classrooms. A representative from the Chancellor's Office for Youth Development stated, "Schools are not just places to learn information, they are social communities." She went on to say that it is important for students to have mentors who "expect big things from them, not just big test scores."

Students from the Mosaic Youth Project presented the United Nations Special Representative for Children in Armed Conflict with a mosaic they made. It featured an array of colors and the words "Non-Violence is the Light of Life."

The representative was overwhelmed by the gesture and stated, "We must say 'no'



Photo contributed

Kelly Razouk participates in the Season for Non-Violence 2004 at the United Nations in New York.

to letting our children pay the price of adult wars."

One student expressed his wish for the future. "Here in the building known as the United Nations, youth representatives from every nation should come together and sign a declaration stating that it is unacceptable to attempt to solve disputes with violence nationally, internationally and personally," he stated.

Students also recited a pledge for peace. The pledge sought to counteract the many violent messages coming from

television, music and video game influences. "I will carry myself as a leader, an architect and ambassador of peace and justice," shouted the students.

The event came to a dramatic close with a World Peace Flag ceremony. The Los Angeles Agape Choir sang the song "May Peace Prevail on Earth" as flags were passed throughout the audience. As the name of each country was called out, audience members were asked to send up prayers for peace in that country.

It was an emotional event and one that touched me deeply. Seeing the flags of every nation being waved proudly by these students in the same room where I have sat for hours listening to diplomats debate terror, animosity and wars, caused me to long for the day when peace truly will prevail on Earth. I sent up my own prayers and for one moment in that room I was able to forget about the problems on the U.N. agenda and focus on the impact that one person committed to non-violence can have on the world.

As I held the flag of my father's country, Lebanon, I was swept up in the hopes that someday the violence will stop in that country as well as in every country around the world.

The Season for Non-Violence begins January 30 and continues until April 4. It will be celebrated with essay contests, dialogues of peace and prayer vigils around the world.

It was first celebrated in 1998 as a grassroots campaign intended to portray nonviolence as the solution to world problems. The campaign continues to draw worldwide attention every year as it urges young people to emulate the nonviolent approaches of Mahatma Gandhi and Martin Luther King, Jr.

The resounding message of this special event was to encourage the youth of today to take action and create the world they want to live in. In the words of Mahatma Gandhi, "We must be the change we wish to see."

Students attend international leadership conference

TIFFANY FOLEY
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Students and sponsors from 10 colleges and universities across Tennessee joined in White Bluff, Tennessee on January 17-19 to share ideas, receive training to increase cultural awareness on campus and develop leadership skills.

TN-CIL 2004 (Tennessee Conference for International Leadership) is a name that rings with opportunity and captured the interest of Southern's Office of International Affairs. Mrs. De Souza, the international student advisor at Southern, and her husband decided to involve Southern in the third annual leadership conference.

Three international students, Luis Jimenez, Judy Nguru, and Deanna Ionita, along with two U.S. students, Christine Jensen and Tiffany Foley represented the stu-

deents of Southern at this diverse gathering. We dove into the service project to kick off the events of the weekend.

The students worked together constructing and painting wooden crates for the Head Start program and women's shelter in Dixon County. Prior to TN-CIL (rhymes with pencil), schools were instructed to collect school supplies and personal care items to fill the crates and meet the needs of the recipients. This project helped the students get acquainted and serve the community in a creative way.

The weekend was filled with speeches, games and other fun activities that involved participants in discussing ways to lead our own campus to become more culturally enriched. The "global panel," featuring professors who came to America from all different parts of the world, gave students a chance to ask

questions about their varied world views and experiences. One of the favorite games, Ecotons, involved a cross-cultural simulation in which students created their own cultures, then learned how to cooperate with the vastly different cultures of other groups. They also enjoyed student and staff led sessions with varied topics on diversity and leadership.

Many insights, ideas, and skills were gained from the activities at the conference. Interacting with people from all corners of the earth encouraged learning from different cultures. The group learned the importance of trying to understand people from other cultures and being sympathetic to their adjustment to the U.S. Students acquired a better definition of leadership and how to apply leadership skills at school and in life. Surprisingly, one of the

best aspects of the conference was the spiritual growth.

Students of every background, lifestyle, and faith joined together and became almost instant friends. The group from Southern had an amazing opportunity to speak directly with many students who asked about our beliefs and values as a church and school. God was leading as many sincere conversations centered on Him and brought glory to His name. Realizing the incredible impact that God wanted to make, it was decided to have morning worship and pray that He would guide. Students and faculty from Southern made connections and friendships with people from schools all over Tennessee. That simple act helped them see the importance of the conference in light of eternity.

Vote for president

TIM JESTER
MANAGING EDITOR

On Tuesday, Feb. 10, voters will cast ballots in the Tennessee presidential primary. This may be the last year that Tennessee will be able to have some say about which candidate will be nominated at the national party conventions. According to Associated Press article published in "The Sacramento Bee," Tennessee's presidential primary may be scrapped to help avoid a projected \$760 million deficit for the next budget year.

Even though many people tend to be apathetic about voting, it is important to remember that every vote counts and every vote makes a difference.

"I think that we miss a great opportunity if we fail to exercise our privilege to vote," said Ken Rodgers, chaplain of Southern Adventist University.

Voters in the Collegedale area will have three convenient places to cast ballots.

If students living on campus are registered to vote, they should go to Collegedale City Hall, 4910 Swinney Drive. Polls open at 8 a.m. and close at 6 p.m. Two other areas include:

Ooltewah Seventh-day Adventist Church gym, 9405 Amos Road
Eastwood Baptist Church gym, 4300 Ooltewah-Ringgold Road

CORRECTIONS TO FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

In "The Greenway is Growing," Spalding Drive and Ooltewah-Ringgold Road were misspelled.

The frozen fish photo run on the front page was taken by David Houtchens

In the story "Avant Injured," Avant was struck four years ago by a suspect on Taylor Circle, not at the Village Market as reported.

Wireless internet goes campus-wide

ELI COUREY
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High-speed wireless access to the Internet will be available for students campus-wide by the beginning of April.

Wireless Internet is already available in Hickman Science Center, McKee Library, Summerour Hall and Wright Hall. "Look for signs indicating wireless Internet access around campus," said Doru Mihaescu, senior network analyst for information systems.

Information Systems is working on two buildings or outdoor locations a week. The last three locations to get wireless Internet access will be the ball fields, student park and duck pond.

"I think it's great we're getting wireless Internet on campus. I've enjoyed using it in the student center in-between classes this year," said Travis Epperson, senior system's administration major.

Students who want to access the wireless Internet need to have an 802.11b or 802.11g-network adapter in his or her computer.

Wireless network adapters can be bought at stores like Best Buy and Circuit City. The prices of these adapters range from \$60 to \$100 and they come with instructions on how to install them. According to Mike McClung, workstation support manager for information systems, there is a possibility that the school will have wireless network adapters available for students to purchase.

The registration process for wireless Internet is similar to the dorm Internet registration. When you open Internet Explorer, it will automatically take you to the network usage policy. After you agree to the policy, you will be asked for your Southern username and password. When this information is accepted, you will be asked to add your computer to the network. It may take up to ten minutes for the registration to be processed but it will only have to be done once.

"One hundred students are already using the wireless Internet," said Mihaescu. He expects that the number of users will go much higher when the rest of the campus is finished.



Photo by Jacqui Seely

Information Service worker Mark Elrich plants a transmitter in Brock Hall Tuesday to test the future wireless Internet service. Mark uses a handheld PDA with a wireless card while he roams the halls in search of a signal from the transmitter.

Adventist Theological Society

Dr. Ethel Nelson and Elder Samuel Wang will speak at the Adventist Theological Society meeting this Sabbath. Hear seven amazing facts about the ancient Chinese. The meeting is at 3:30 in the Lynn Wood Hall chapel, February 7. For more information contact Steve Berman, associate professor of religion at (423) 238-2981.

Student Association candidate platforms

presidential candidates



Melvin Taylor

Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer (Rom. 12: 12). - Many may not see it, but there are students here at SAU who are hurting, seeking, lonely and uncertain. We are often quick to go out in the community and help, often neglecting our own. I believe there is power in prayer, and I know God is real and willing to help me and my school family. He is the only One who can give us that full joy.

I have a vision to see a

Student Association that prays. We need it, times are hard and we need God to show up in our lives. My spiritual focus is outreach in our home here at SAU. I would like to start Power Hour, in which the Student Association will pray for our fellow students, send everyone a personal prayer card to let them know we are praying for them on a particular day. Prayer is the key to unlocking all that God has for us.

I will request more funding for the clubs on campus, that are

geared to reaching out to those here at SAU, as well as providing several ministries for us as students to participate in.

I will schedule more Saturday night activities here on campus, sponsored by the Student Association, aimed toward keeping the students involved. With the help of the social vice president-elect, we will work together to provide various activities for the students to participate in. For those who are low on cash, lacking transportation or just

want to stay on campus, I would like to have \$1 movie night, which students could come watch a good movie, eat popcorn and have fun on their campus.

I can't promise you that what you want to happen or even what you see take place will, but promise, by the grace of God, I do my best to see that your concerns are dealt with fairly so that you have a clear understanding of what is going on. Success begins with a vision!



Byron Moore

Dear Students,

I am running to be your next Student Association President because I believe that I can make a positive difference. The president's main responsibility is to represent the students' ideas to the administration and to facilitate solutions to student's problems. The president should also help provide students with a fun and enjoyable experience at Southern.

A good leader is one who possesses excellent people skills and a walk with God. I feel that God has given me the tools to be an awesome SA President, and I believe that I can lead this school.

I have been an SA Senator for the last two years. Through that experience, I have learned that an involved student body is a powerful student body. I see that the student body wants Southern to continue to grow spiritually, academically and socially as I do.

Southern is a very diverse campus. I believe this is one of Southern's greatest strengths, and will continue to promote ethnic awareness through various programs and activities, such as D.E.E.P. If we as a campus accomplish this, we will truly have achieved unity and strength through diversity.

If elected SA President I will continue to increase funding for clubs and organizations on cam-

pus.

As a Student Senator I have been actively involved with my precincts. It has been a privilege that I have enjoyed tremendously, but a responsibility that I have not taken lightly. I have made sure my precinct's concerns were voiced in Senate, and have worked with the deans of Thatcher, Thatcher South, and Talge in innovating solutions to these problems and concerns. Last year I proposed that SA buy a macho cheese machine to spice up parties, I got Talge to install deodorizer's in the stairwells, and helped pass the Southern Village fire pit, and approved that a palette of paper be purchased for the printers so that the students could print for free.

I have also been actively involved with helping out and hosting the SA parties and Donut Days as well as serving on Student Services Committee.

This year, Senate has approved my proposal for the

purchase of a new workout bike for Talge, and I am proposing that Senate purchase an abdominal machine for Thatcher, as it was the most requested piece of workout equipment. I am working on getting bandwidth increased, and I am working on getting open parking on weekends for everyone. Also, I intend to get the printers installed in Thatcher, Thatcher South, and Talge so students can print for free. Communication is a major issue on this campus, and I will work very hard with my Public Relations Director to make sure that you are as informed as possible. I will make this possible with a monthly email newsletter, the SA web page, and if you have any questions my door will always be open.

I believe the SA President should be a facilitator, helping investigate student concerns and accomplishing student body goals. I believe the SA President should be innovative, looking to

think outside the box and come up with a solution that will work effectively. When I am elected SA President I will be a spiritual leader, promoting student involvement with prayer group Bible studies and working with campus ministries to provide new solutions improving you walk with Christ. After all, believe that in order to be a great leader, you must first be a great servant, as was Christ's example.

I know that we can achieve our goals. SA begins and ends with you, and only together can we accomplish these goals. I vote for me is a vote for dedication, experience and commitment to serving, and with your support and God's help we will work hard to create a strong and more diverse SA to make Southern a better place.

My website is www.byron4prez.com. You can email me your questions and concerns and get further information regarding my campaign.

Social Vice President candidate



Austin Evans

Define Student Association. What do these terms mean? Webster's Dictionary defines "Association" as, "Expressly organized to satisfy the specific

intentions and purpose of its members."

The Southern Adventist University Student Association is comprised of this Student Body. The SA is here to voice your intentions and purposes! And I believe that the Social Vice President position can be defined in three words: companionship, partnership and connection.

The social committee is, in itself, an association of students who have a common interest and desire to assist the Social Vice in creating events and leading smaller groups to make sure those events happen. I've had the great privilege to serve on the Social Committee this year. I have worked side-by-side with the current Social Vice President, SA officers, committee members, and social

sponsor. I have seen the inner workings of SA and the team work involved in every aspect of the Social Vice position. I have also experienced the time and dedication required to make a social event work. My responsibility at the Fall Festival this year was to help design and build the hay maze and insure the proper running of the hay rides. I have experienced the delegation of responsibilities when I had to run six booths at the Mid-Winter Party.

The partnership between the Social Vice President and the student body is vitally important. Without your involvement, the position of Social Vice President would not exist. This year, the Social Vice has added extra activities to the calendar, for example, the Star Wars Trilogy

night. I plan on continuing some of those additions next year. A few ideas that I have for next year, are a "Beard Party", in which the gym will be packed with a variety of games. Communication is very important in this partnership, so I may add a short column in the Accent to keep students updated on what SA is planning, and also possibly add an electronic information scroll in the Cafe so students who are eating can be reminded of events approaching. I believe that the partnership between the planning of the Social Vice and social committee and the attending of you, the student body, can result in an excellent experience next year.

I believe the connection between the student body, the SA officers and the faculty with

Jesus is of the utmost importance. When we, as Christians, are participating in social event with our friends, Jesus is smiling down on us. He created us to have friends and to have Him as our ultimate friend. My goal for next year is to strengthen the connection of Southern with Christ our Lord and Savior. SA without Christ is worthless.

As you begin to select your choice for SA Social Vice President, I urge you to seek the Lord and His will. I pray that the Lord will impress you to find the student that will be the best for next year. If that individual me or not, I trust that the Lord will be done. So may the Lord bless you and guide you as you choose a committed and qualified Social Vice President for next year.

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LIFESTYLES

I could have danced all night"

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I have seen many plays to my arguably short lifetime, but I have to say that "My Fair Lady" is by far the most entertaining. Presented by the Alliance Theatre Company of Atlanta, this Tony Award-winning musical is full of laughter and heart. It's a must see.

The musical, adapted from George Bernard Shaw's "Pygmalion" and made famous by the film version starring Audrey Hepburn, tells the story of Professor Higgins, a sarcastic, self-centered bachelor and the fiery flower-seller Eliza Doolittle. Professor Higgins, a world-renowned linguist, boasts to a friend that he can turn any Cockney-speaking girl from the gutter into a polished elegant lady.

Eliza becomes professor Higgins' guinea pig.

What follows is a comedy of errors and mishaps as Eliza attempts to relearn her alphabet, convince the crowd at the Ascot Race Track that she is one of the upper class and then attended a black-tie gala—her final test.

The play features many clever, catchy tunes including: "Wouldn't It Be Lovely," "Just You Wait Henry Higgins," "On the Street Where You Live," and "Get Me to the Church on Time." Two pianists perform the score in full view of the audience, their hands flying across the keys.

The acting is superb—reminiscent of the movie version. The cast's delivery is flawless as they clearly enjoy their humorous dialogue. The script

is brilliant—every other line is guaranteed to have you rolling in the aisles.

The Woodruff Arts Center, where the Alliance Theatre is located, is, in and of itself, worth the trip to Atlanta. The building also houses art galleries, a library, the Atlanta symphony. It gives poor college students the chance to feel a bit like Eliza Doolittle themselves, surrounded by the upwardly-mobile of Atlanta society.

"My Fair Lady" is scheduled to run through February 29, so get your ticket while you have the chance. Prices range from \$23-\$33, but the theater is small—even the seats on the back row are good.

For more information visit: www.alliancetheatre.org, or call: 404-733-5000.

Great Italian for under 10 bucks at Fazoli's

NATHALIE MAZO
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Face it, many here in our "happy valley" wonder what other restaurants exist besides our good old Cafeteria, Campus Kitchen and KR's because sometimes eating the same food just gets too old. There is also a well-known fact that college students just do not have the cash flow to be going to any other restaurants off campus except for Taco Bell.

But what some do not know is that there are those great restaurants with great food that you can get under \$10. Since there are so many restaurants to choose from, it's hard to find a starting point.

Let's start with probably the most popular type of food: Italian. Restaurants like Olive Garden or Macaroni Grill offer some really enjoyable choices, but the fact is, it's just too expensive.

Fazoli's, located right off the Shallowford exit, is considered the family friendly fast food, of Italian restaurants that offers an array of choices for the pasta lover. For those who are lasagna and spaghetti faithful, try their Broccoli Lasagna, or the traditional Fettuccine Alfredo and Spaghetti with Marinara. There are also other choices on the menu that can be appetizing. For example, those of you that are watching your carbs, check out their soups and salads menu. Are

you going with someone and wanting to share your plate? Try the Submarinos, it's good enough for two.

Some of the best features of Fazoli's is that they have unlimited drinks and really good breadsticks. Another great part about the environment is that they play Christian music all the time. Also for those of you who have the SA Senate discount card, you can get a free Lemon Ice with any purchase.

Go to Fazoli's, it is sure to please even the pickiest eater. Visit their website for additional information on nutrition facts, other items on the menu, and store locations near you. Visit them at www.fazolizs.com.

The Melting Pot: Do-It-Yourself Dinner

KELLY MCAULIFFE
STAFF WRITER

Admittedly, I tend to find dining at any restaurant pretty exciting. On my desperately poor, college student budget it's not an often enjoyed pleasure, so for me even an evening at Taco Bell is something special. But I fear that my trip to Atlanta and The Melting Pot this weekend has forever jaded me to the joys of lesser restaurants. What can I say; fondue is just so much fun!

Branches of this restaurant chain can be found in both Atlanta and Nashville. Though it can get a bit pricey—the recommended "fondue for two" costs \$50—eating economically is possible, and the experience is worth the drive.

The restaurant itself is decorated in dark purples and rusty oranges with high ceilings and large booths. The lighting is low and romantic and the music is a pleasant collection of Dave Matthews, Coldplay and Jack Johnson.

Fondue is a thick sauce—ranging from cheese to chocolate—used for dipping. For instance, the appetizer course at The Melting Pot is cheese fondue. There are several choices including the universal favorite plain cheddar or the spicier fiesta mix. Cheese for two costs about \$14 and comes with bread, vegetables and apples for dipping.

I didn't have the cheese myself, but I watched the couple at the table opposite mine who did. The waitress brings shredded cheese to the table, turns on the fondue pot (there is one in the center of every booth) and seasons to taste.

The entrée is where the real fun begins. Most include meat, but there is an entirely vegetarian meal (which I enjoyed). Prices range from \$16-\$38, but the meals are meant to be shared. The meals come with a salad (you can share or add another for \$6).

The waitress brings the uncooked food to the table along with a pot of oil, two different batters and multiple sauces. It's then your job to batter up and cook your own dinner. At first my friend and I were a little unsure of when our eggplant and broccoli were actually done, but by the end of the evening we were pros with four skewers bubbling away.

This hands-on dinner is great for a date and an icebreaker. I was laughing and splattering oil for an hour. The Melting Pot is "Chucky Cheese" for grown-ups.

After clearing away the remains of our dinner, our waitress brought out dessert—chocolate fondue. The options are endless, and my friend and I opted for dark chocolate with caramel. It came with pineapple, bananas, strawberries, cheesecake, brownies and more.

My friend and I had dinner and dessert for a combined \$32, which is not bad when you consider the quality of the restaurant. So if you're up for something a little different—a meal you won't forget (at least for a while), try some fondue. But be sure to make reservations—the restaurant fills quickly—and allow plenty of time for eating. This is not a dinner you want to rush.

For locations, a menu and phone numbers visit: www.meltingpot.com.

The Southern Adventist University Student Association Primaries & General Elections will be held online.

There are some things that you will need to know in order to participate in the election:

- Your Southern webmail user name and password
- Your Southern ID number
- Your Birthday
- Your Social Security number

Voting will be taking place through theplace.southern.edu, and may be done from any computer inside the Southern network. A more detailed instruction list will be printed next week.

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RELIGION

Small groups fellowship during '40 Days of Purpose'

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The Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church has started a program called "40 Days of Purpose." It is a church-wide outreach effort with 40 days of personal devotion and small group meetings.

The church's pastoral staff was inspired by the book "The Purpose Driven Life" by Pastor Rick Warren and by a similar program begun at the Saddleback Community Church in Southern California.

"40 Days of Purpose" was held as a nation-wide event in the fall of 2003. The Collegedale Church wanted to participate in the program, but also wanted to make it more personal for the church. Forty church members were asked to write devotionals in the summer of 2003. The articles were collected in

September and were edited by Joanne Nicoll, Marcus Sheffield and Evie Vanderve. They were then put together as a devotional book.

The inspiration may have come from the Saddleback Community Church, but the Collegedale Church turned it into a ministry specifically geared for the needs of its church members.

"We piggybacked their idea, but made it our own," said Dwight Herod, pastoral director of ministry at the Collegedale SDA Church.

Several different facets make up the "40 Days of Purpose." The first is the devotional book, with one devotional for each of the 40 days. The second facet consists of small group meetings which include a short video message from Ed Wright, senior pastor of the Collegedale SDA Church. After the video, there is

time for study and discussion of the week's topic. The third facet is commitment to bring at least one un-churched friend to church during the 40 days.

Herod is leading a small group in his home and observed that though the first meeting went well, the second week was even better. Members were becoming more comfortable with each other, relating and discussing naturally.

"I am looking forward to seeing the group dynamic develop over the course of the next six weeks," he said.

Many Southern Adventist University students are also participating in the program. Jeania Gibson, a freshman nursing major, is very excited about being involved. She enjoys fellowship, watching Ed Wright's video messages and sharing with her small group.

"All the groups are united, but unique at the same time," she said.

Freshman nursing major Jonice Cometa has enjoyed the small group time as well. "It is very exciting to see God working in my friends' lives," she said.

With a purpose-driven goal and a distinct, personalized ministry for the members of the Collegedale Church, the "40 Days of Purpose" program is sure to impact many lives.



Photo by Rachel Day
Jennifer Ross and Heather Meliti pray Friday at Collegedale church

Speakers bless student body

SEAN REED
RELIGION EDITOR

The Student Week of Prayer, held last week in the campus church, was marked by enthusiastic singing and uplifting messages presented to students. Morning classes were truncated to allow students to attend the meetings held each morning at 11. Evening meetings were held each evening at seven except Monday and Tuesday. At least 500 students attended the Wednesday evening meeting despite a campus-wide blackout.

The theme for the Week of Prayer was Promise Claim, and each message centered on different aspects of God's promises and ways to apply them in our lives. Assistant chaplain Jondelle McGhee presented the message for the first meeting Monday morning, and she spoke enthusiastically of God's ever-abiding love for each of His created beings. She related a number of personal experiences and stories to illustrate God's love. Other speakers included Mario Broussard, Justin

McNeilus, Rebecca Chung, Gina Thurbur, Christine Jensen, and John Rengifo. Destiny Drama Company also presented a program Thursday evening.

Each meeting focused on an aspect of God's promises on a variety of topics, such as love, forgiveness, spiritual growth, grace, prayer and Christ's soon return. Many of the presenters chose to use personal experiences to illustrate the truths about God's promises they wished to convey. Most messages concluded with a call for dedication and redemption to Jesus.

Wednesday evening the campus suffered an electrical blackout. The blackout began just 15 minutes before the evening meeting. Hundreds of students attended the meeting anyway, many bringing flashlights. Although the crowd was a bit boisterous, most joined the worship team in singing praise songs. Destiny Drama Company was, to perform that evening but the performance was rescheduled for Thursday evening due to the blackout.

Many students have expressed an appreciation for the Week of Prayer. "I really appreciate how Campus Ministries made it a visual Week of Prayer," says Justin Kobylka, junior mass communication major, "they really invested in the idea of Promise Claim." A number of students committed their lives to Christ during the

Week of Prayer.

Editor's Note: "The Southern Accent," is interested in hearing your thoughts about the Student Week of Prayer. Please send your comments, praises and suggestions regarding Week of Prayer to sreer@southern.edu. Comments received will be considered for future publication.

SEAN REED
RELIGION EDITOR

Just a few days ago, well over 100 million people watched Super Bowl XXXVII. People gathered in homes, schools, auditoriums and gymnasiums to cheer on their favorite team. United States soldiers stationed around the world also tuned in to share in the excitement; soldiers stationed in Iraq watched the game live in the early morning well before the sun rose, due to the differing time zones. The game ended with a score of 32-29. The Patriots

Patriots vs. Panthers, Good vs. Evil

won and the Panthers lost. The world remained largely unchanged.

Just a couple thousand years ago, a few thousand people watched a solitary figure as he was paraded, beaten and finally condemned to death. People thronged the narrow streets to yell insults and curses as he slowly, painfully plodded out of the city, his destination a small hill not far away. Well before the sun set, darkness enveloped the small hill, partially hiding Jesus as he hung on a crude wooden cross. "My

God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" he cried out just moments before his body went limp, a victim to sin and death. The outcome of the great controversy, the battle between good and evil, was decided at the moment; Jesus won and Satan lost. The world seemed unchanged, yet such a thing was never farther from the truth.

Which of these two events did you get the most excited about this week?

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OPINION

Thumbs-up Thumbs-down By Justin Kobylka



Thumbs up to an awesome Week of Prayer.

Thank you, Campus Ministries, for the hard work you put into it. It really paid off and many students were drawn closer to God. In fact, I even wanted to go to all the meetings—and not just for the convocation credit.

Thumbs down to new policies in basketball intramurals



that require each team to have their own scorekeeper. This is inconvenient. Also a big thumbs down to the shorter periods of 15 minutes instead of the normal 20 minutes. Remember, this is about the exercise and having fun, let's not cut down on the play time.



Thumbs up to Valentin

that he needs no explanation, but for everyone else, Valentin is the dominating force on the campus-wide computer network. Valentin shares dozens of new video and music files weekly, keeping up with the latest movies and TV shows. Thanks Valentin, for bringing this campus a little slice of entertainment.

Thumbs down to those who were wildly irreverent in the church during the blackout last week. And a big thumbs down to front page statement on last week's Accent that stated,



"A lack of light did not hamper the reverent atmosphere of the service." I think we all know better than that.

Letter to the editor

On behalf of the deans and the men of Talge Hall I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Student Association for its generosity in the purchase of a recumbent exercycle for our weight room here in Talge.

This is a very positive addition to the quality exercise facility we are attempting to build and it will get many hours of use.

I would especially like to thank Byron Moore for spearheading this project and the rest of Senators for their positive support of the Residence Hall.

Many thanks,
Dean Magers

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MEVYN NE
DEAN OF STUDENTS

Human nature is funny. You give a child a stuffed animal he wants a bicycle. You give him a bicycle, he wants an Xbox. You give him an Xbox, he wants a Pentium 4 Processor 2.8 GHz laptop computer with DVD, CD burner and a 200 GB Hard Drive. You give him a computer, and he'll want a Corvette. You give him a car, and you've lost a lot of money.

Humans are the greediest things alive. I mean let's face it; we're worse than monkeys who are notorious for their selfishness during observations. The more we have, the more we want. The more we want, the more we covet. The more we covet, the more we work to own these material objects in life. In fact, it seems that the more we want, the more unhappy and unfulfilled our lives become.

I believe that humans will never be satisfied with what we have. I've come to realize that the more things you have, the more selfish and greedy you tend to become. During my younger days as a Pathfinder, we used to go ingathering to the local villages surrounding our campus (in the Philippines). I always wondered as a child why the poor were much more willing to give than the rich. Maybe it is because the poor can remem-

Janet Jackson's... well you know

JUSTIN KOBYLKA
EDITORIAL EDITOR

Janet Jackson's "shocking" revelation on the Super Bowl halftime show has been the talk of the United States and probably much of the Western world. I obviously cannot say whether the "wardrobe malfunction" was an accident or not. The question I'd like to explore is whether it was appropriate for Southern to air the halftime show at all. Since the Super Bowl, more than one complaint has been brought to the faculty about the indecency of the broadcast that was shown in the gymnasium.

First of all, in airing the Super Bowl for students, the administration was, to their knowledge, providing quality

entertainment. They, like the students, only knew as much about the halftime show as was advertised prior to the broadcast. They expected to see Mrs. Jackson's breast, just as much as the rest of America—not at all. They cannot be held accountable for something that took the entire nation by surprise.

Second, the students of Southern are old enough to decide for themselves what

they feel is appropriate entertainment. For Southern to decide that the Super Bowl is appropriate then turn off the screens during the halftime show would be equivalent to parents walking in and turning off the TV's in homes of the adult children. Thank you Southern for realizing that we are old enough to face reality and make right choices.

Destiny Drama

JUSTIN KOBYLKA
EDITORIAL EDITOR

Historically, Destiny Drama Co. has not seen the greatest publicity within the pages of the Accent. In my two years as editor of the Opinion section, I have seen several articles that not only criticized Destiny productions, but also questioned the very idea of using drama as an evangelistic tool. After attending the Destiny program for Week of Prayer on Thursday evening, I have to say that these dissenting voices could not be farther from the truth.

The students of Destiny drama put on a simple program Thursday night that spoke volumes about the love of God. The truth of God's saving grace washed over me as if I was sitting alone in the congregation. The evening started with a short talk and a couple of humorous sketches about being a "good neighbor." Later the

tone became more sacred with a beautiful re-creation of the story of the prodigal son. The final moments of the evening were spent in an impassioned plea for the audience to accept God's "only-begotten Son." The plan of salvation and God's great love struck home as I realized that Christ is the answer to the most heinous problems of an individual.

I think that it is time that we give Destiny a break and give them the respect they deserve for the hard work they invest in their ministry. For those students and faculty who disagree with the entire notion of using drama as a ministry, I'd like to encourage you to put your personal feelings aside. Stand by these students who have given their time and energy so that Christ can be shared. That's unfortunately, more than many of us can say.

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A rainy day at Southern...



by Justin Janetzko

Dumbducks, which usually appears on the humor page has been moved to opinion because it's just too good.

Feminism for men, gender equality

SCOTT FOGG
SHOW FILM MAJOR

My name is Scott Fogg. I'm twenty-three and I'm dating a feminist. I'm okay with that because I'm a film major and I'm used to pushing the envelope when it comes to Adventist tradition.

I'm here to talk about women, or more specifically, men. See, by definition, I, like my girlfriend, am a feminist. According to Dictionary.com, a feminist is "of or relating to or advocating equal rights for women." And I'm all about that. I totally believe that in the job market, in the classroom and in all walks of life, rank should be dictated by skill.

But this is a fairly new train of thought. For a while there have always been people who have believed this, it has only been in the past couple of decades that it has been put into practice. And, as my girlfriend and all her English Club chicks would argue, feminism has a very long road ahead of it.

And good luck to them.

But what about men?

As I type this, I can see all you girls rolling your pretty blue, green, brown, grey, or speckled eyes. I can hear you laying the sarcasm on nice and thick: "Yeah, you men have it real hard. Try being a girl for a week—no, a day—and let's hear you complain then."

But I'm not a girl, nor will I ever be.

I'm what's left of our generation: that odd little collection of people who aren't quite Generation X, certainly aren't Generation Y, and completely not Generation Z. A group of kids born and raised in the eight-

ies, but who only have a slight memory of it. A generation taught to respect our mothers, to treat girls with respect, that it's okay to cry, but that it's necessary to stand up and be a man.

And that is the question I present to you today: "What is it to be a man?"

Are we fighters? My girlfriend doesn't want me fighting her battles but gets all mushy when I stand up for her. Are we hunters, gatherers? I want to be able to provide, but my girlfriend wants to be able to support herself—doesn't want to have to rely on me. Are we teddy bears to cuddle up to? This would mean we have to be sensitive and open with our emotions.

And that is a dilemma for us. Because, as any guy still reading this will attest, society doesn't allow men to be emotional. We have no room for it in our "role in society." Feminists are always complaining about how women are portrayed in movies, in commercials, in my favorite comic books, but let's take a step back and look at how men are portrayed.

What was the last movie you saw where the "hero" was applauded for opening up his feelings? Truth is, if there was a man who opened up his feelings onscreen, he was probably the dork thrown in for comic relief.

Who'd you see a commercial or television show that didn't poke fun at soft, sensitive, overweight men? Granted, you see a lot more overweight men than women on television, but again, there's hardly an overweight man on TV who isn't a complete goof ball.

And when have you ever picked up a comic book to see a

super hero whose pecs weren't bursting through his spandex? Nope.

Truth be told, men are portrayed as uncaring killing machines. When someone wrongs us, we're supposed to get even. Every action flick ever made tells us this. Growing up, we're told to "walk it off." Don't cry. It's all right. If a girl cries, she gets attention. When a guy cries, he gets shunned.

It's sad because it's true. Girls can rally behind "feminism" and it's a positive thing. Girls can publish and read "The Vagina Monologues" and it's freeing. A girl can turn to all her friends for emotional support.

What can a man rally behind? Chauvinism? Could a book or a play entitled "The Penis Monologues" ever be taken seriously? What can a guy do in a society that emotionally blocks him from ever being able to

ANDREW BERMUDEZ
OPINION COLUMNIST

How many of you were blessed by the Student Week of Prayer last week? I don't mean blessed in that you got half your convocation requirements out of the way. I mean blessed as in, did you feel that the blessing you closer to God? Did it make you want to stop by the "Promise Claim" in your life?

I don't know about you, but I was truly blessed by the Week of Prayer series. I was also impressed by the amount of effort and hard work that was put into it. Seeing our fellow students, just ordinary people like the rest of us, giving such dynamic, thought-provoking talks, was quite inspirational.

It made me wonder: Would I

express himself?

Which is why I have a hard time really feeling sympathetic for girls when they begin whining about suffrage and menstruation. Right now it's the popular thing to rally behind women and empower them.

But what about the emotionally-blocked male who wants to please his feminist girlfriend?

I don't have answers, just questions.

Because I know women. They succeed in almost everything they set their minds to. So, in your zeal for equal opportunity and the re-creation of society, forge a play for us men. Raise your sons to be the balanced, healthy individuals they need to be. Because that's what I want to see.

No more sexism.

No more feminism.

No more.

Just us.

be able to give such a clear, uplifting, Christ-centered talk if I were given the opportunity?

Something tells me I wouldn't have quite the success they did. But I'm sure there are others around this campus who, like Justin McNeilus, Rebecca Chung, Jondelle McGhee, and the others who spoke to us last week, have something on their hearts that would be uplifting to us all. There ought to be more encouragement for these people to share their thoughts with us. There is no reason why we shouldn't have more students giving talks at convocation or vespers, not just at once-a-year programs like Week of Prayer. It's nice to hear the good speakers who are regularly brought in to give sermons at these weekly events, but every so often we could benefit from hearing one of our own sharing his or her thoughts.

As college students, we should be taking part in the activities that keep our campus running. We contribute through our work, through the work of SA and senate decisions, and of course through the tuition that we all pay. We should also be contributing to the spiritual events here at Southern. Speaking isn't everyone's talent, but if you have something you feel God is calling you to share, I would encourage you to speak to the people at Campus Ministries. I'm sure they would be willing to accommodate you. And if you feel that what you have is not anything students would care about, pray about it. If God is truly calling you to speak, He'll give you the power to make it relevant and hold the interest of those listening. Just ask those who spoke last week—I'm sure they'll encourage you to claim the promises and step out in faith. You won't regret it.



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All Star days of old

ETHAN NKANA
SPORTS EDITOR

The annual NBA All-Star weekend is just two weeks away. This year's events will remain virtually the same as recent years, although the Radio Shack Shooting Stars competition is in its inaugural year.

Another event of the weekend is the 989 Sports Skills Challenge. This competition is in its second year and features four NBA players competing in an obstacle course that features passing, shooting and dribbling drills.

All-Star weekend will also feature the Foot Locker Three-point Shootout and the Sprite Rising Stars Slam Dunk Contest, in addition to the got milk? Rookie Challenge and the All-Star game on Friday and Saturday night, respectively.

Allow me to interject a bit of personal opinion. The NBA All-Star weekend seems to have some of its allure over the past several years.

First, new and "improved" competitions are being added each year, and it seems as though each has less of a prestigious value than the one that was introduced the previous year. For example, the Radio Shack Shooting Stars competition features an NBA star, WNBA star and an NBA legend in a shooting competition.

It's great that they want to get the WNBA involved and everything, and putting and NBA "legend" in the mix will provide a link from the NBA of old to today's league, but what does a competition like this really prove?

Second, these events are all sponsored by organizations including Sprite and 989 Sports. These organizations have their names stamped everywhere, which takes the focus away from the players involved. Also, competitions like the aforementioned 989 Sports Skills Challenge are added just so a company can have their name somewhere, even if it means jeopardizing the quality of the weekend by adding meaningless competitions such as the Skills Challenge.

The third reason I feel as though the All-Star weekend has deteriorated in recent years is because of the dunk contest. It was once an intense competition that determined the best dunker in the League and held a high amount of prestige and honor. Don't get me wrong, I enjoy it, but I would like to see a couple first-

class dunkers like Air Canada and T-Mac put on a show.

The dunk contest is now officially called the "Sprite Rising Stars Slam Dunk Competition," and although some of the guys may not be household names, they can stop your heart with their reckless denial of the laws of gravity.

This year the starting lineups go as follows: East: Allen Iverson, Tracy McGrady, Vince Carter, Ben Wallace and Jermaine O'Neal. West: Steve Francis, Kobe Bryant, Kevin Garnett, Tim Duncan and Shaquille O'Neal or Yao Ming.

The All-Star game takes place on Sunday, February 15, and will be shown on TNT at 8 p.m. ET.



Photo by Jacqui Sealey

Brandon Koleada of team Glas Attack foils a rebound attempt during a 34 to 47 loss to Cheez-N-Griz Monday night.

P-A-T-S! PATS, PATS, PATS!

MARK GUNTHER
STAFF WRITER

The 2003-2004 NFL season came to a tumultuous close on Sunday night as the AFC champion New England Patriots faced off against the NFC champion Carolina Panthers at Houston's Reliant Stadium. Under the lights of a capacity house and over 185 million fans watching on CBS, the two final teams in football's postseason showed off why you cannot prejudice a game by the two teams involved, the styles of play exhibited hence of the type of players involved. In short, this year's Super Bowl was everything we expected it to be and nothing we ever dreamed it could be.

For most of the first half, the Carolina and New

England defenses dominated the game from end zone to end zone. The only attempts at scoring were a pair of failed field goals from normally rock solid Patriots kicker Adam Vinatieri. Then, at the near close of the second period, the Patriots scored a touchdown to open the scoring. The Panthers marched 89 yards on the next drive to tie the game only to watch the Patriots retake the lead in less than three minutes. But just as it looked like a 7 point Patriot lead was inevitable, the Panthers had a last minute short march of their own, setting up Panther kicker John Kasay for a field goal to narrow the margin to 14-10.

Both Jake Delhomme and Tom Brady, the quarterbacks of the Panthers and Patriots

respectively, started slowly and only began to show their promise in the final few minutes of the first half. But after a controversial halftime show, the Panthers and Patriots decided to put on a show stopping performance on the field of play. Both teams combined for 37 points in the fourth quarter and each team made mistakes that shifted the balance of the game like a teeter totter. It appeared that Tom Brady's third touchdown pass of the day would be the game winner at the 2:51 mark of the 4th quarter. But in just over 100 seconds, Jake Delhomme fired back with a massive drive to tie the game at 29 points even.

Tom Brady, eventual Super Bowl MVP, took to the field with only 1:08 left on the clock and brought the team into field goal range. Then, under yet another game winning Super Bowl condition, Adam Vinatieri kicked a 41 yard field goal to clinch the win for the Patriots, giving them their second Super Bowl title in three years. Both quarterbacks had stellar games but Tom Brady and the Patriots had just a little more in the holding tank for the end. In the end, the Patriots emerged victorious, 32-29.

Trot stomps Breds

ETHAN NKANA
SPORTS EDITOR

Hot to Trot moved up in the Men's Northern Division after a win against the Breds on Monday night. Hot to Trot came out on top with a score of 36-47, handing the Breds their fourth loss of the season.

The Breds began strong building an eight-point lead early in the first half, as the team worked as one cohesive unit on the court.

Matt Campbell of Hot to Trot struggled through the game, but brought his team within one on a layup with over a minute left to play in the first half. Morgan Kochenover hit an easy bucket in the paint to give Hot to Trot a one-point lead just before the half.

Claude Mapp hit a two-point shot to give the Breds a tie possession. On Hot to Trot, Matt Campbell was fouled and hit two free throws to tie the game at 19 at the half.

The Breds lack of size in the lineup was apparent on a play early in the half when Hot to Trot grabbed four offensive rebounds in one possession.

With five minutes left, Campbell hit a tip on the offensive glass to give Hot to Trot a one-point lead with five minutes remaining in the game. Hot to Trot would not trail again in the contest.

Hot to Trot won the game with a score of 36-47. Hot to Trot advanced to 3-2 on the season while the Breds fall to 0-4.



Photo by Rachel Olay

Ryan Van Lanen and Wildiro Alvarez celebrate the Patriot's victory over the Panther's at Sunday night's SA Superbowl party.

CORRECTION: The 3 on 3 Tournament article that ran last week should have recorded team Reyes as playing for Blue Division not team Campbell for Blue Division



the campus Chatter

Week of: February 5 - 12

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DEPARTMENTS
The SAU English Club is pleased to announce the final Parlor meeting, February 6, at 8:00 p.m., in the Student Center. They will be finishing the book "1984" by George Orwell. Please return borrowed books at this time. If unable to attend, please return books as soon as possible to the English Department or English Club officer, Good Book.

Good Food, Good Friends!
Attention all May BA/BS Psychology Graduates! The Counseling and Testing Center has announced the dates for the Psychology Exit Exams. Each graduate is required to take this exam. Please contact Susie Evans at the Counseling and Testing Center to schedule an appointment at 238-2782. Please contact Dr. Williams/Morris if you have any questions at 238-2758. The following dates and times are available.

Sunday, February 15 9:30 am
Monday, February 16 8 am, 1 pm
Tuesday, February 17 9 am, 2 pm
Wednesday, February 18 9 am, 2 pm
Thursday, February 19 8 am, 1 pm
Friday, February 20 9 am
Sunday, February 22 9:30 am

GENERAL
National Test dates:
Application Deadline:
February 13, 2004
Graduate Record Exam
April 5, 2004
(subject exam only)

The Counseling Center has registration forms.

Major Field Exams: All seniors in Biology, Business, Computer Science, English, History, Math, Music and Psychology are required to take an exit exam. Call Counseling & Testing at 2782 to sign up. Exams run from February 15 to 22 and include two Sundays.

Southern Adventist University's Sigma Tau Delta Chapter Sponsors: "An Evening with Maya Angelou." This best-selling author of "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings" will lecture live at Memorial Auditorium on Wednesday evening, February 25, 2004. Student Rate: \$15/person. Turn in your money to Bev Self, Brock Hall 317 by Friday, February 13th. See Dr. Wilma McClary or call 2736, or e-mail wmcclary@southern.edu

Adventist Theological Society Meeting Topic: Seven Amazing Facts About the Ancient Chinese

When: This Sabbath, Feb. 7, 2004
Where: Lynn Wood Hall
Chapel Time: 3:30 PM
Speakers: Dr. Ethel Nelson and Elder Samuel Wang

This Saturday night, on February 7, at 8:00 p.m., the BCU Club will be hosting a gospel concert, featuring a recording choir, Madison Mission. Admission is free and all are invited to attend. The concert will be located in Iles gymnasium.

STUDENT ASSOCIATION

SA Executive Officer speeches will be held Thursday, Feb. 12, in Iles during convocation. You won't want to miss it! Come hear what your future leaders have to say about their visions for next year.

SA Speeches - forum
4 minutes President
3 minutes Executive Vice
3 minutes VP Social

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5

10:20 am Convocation - Black History - Frank W. Hale Jr., Vice Provost & Professor Emeritus - Ohio State University (Church)
8:00 pm Penguin Parlor Meeting (Student Center)
Brunchdays: Sam Rosales, Stewart Seratide, Penny Webster

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

6:44 pm Sunset
8:00 pm Vespers - Black Christian Union (Church)
Tuesdays: Mike Hancock, Elissa Morello, Henry Hicks

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

9:50 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
10:00 am The Third - Mike Fulbright (Iles)
10:00 am "Student Center Sabbath School" (Student Center)
11:00 am "Another Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
11:30 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
2:45 pm Shut in Ministries
3:40 pm Adventist Theological Society Meeting (Lynn Wood Hall Chapel)
6:00 pm Evensong (Church)
8:00 pm BCU Night: Madison Mission Choir (Iles)
Brunchdays: Heath Miller, Brian Moore, Cherise Bent

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

6:45 pm SA Valentine's Banquet (Chattanooga Trade & Convention Center)
Brunchdays: Olivia Hale, Andrew Peyton, Jonathan Session, Adam Sutton, Shon Watson, Stephen Ruf, Paye Steen

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9

7:30 pm University Senate
Last day for 60% tuition refund
LSAT Exam, Student Center
Clean out your Computer Day
Brunchdays: Randy Bishop, Ian Brooks, Derick Brown, Danny Chelchak, Devon Creus, Jeff Johnson, Jeff Johnson, Anne Elise Santos, Jillian Snyder, Sherrie Norton, Ted Schumburg

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

10:20 am Study Skills Seminar (Student Center Seminar Room)
12-2:00 pm Dean's Luncheon (Presidential Banquet Room)
6:00 pm Study Skills Seminar (Student Center Seminar Room)
7:00 pm Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)
Brunchdays: Patricia Hieb, Natalie Issa, Ted Lee, Zach Pratt, Laura Rester, Laurel Trailes, David Williams, Robert Coombs

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Brunchdays: Arsene Almonor, Ryan Hill, Erin Lasher, Janita Herod

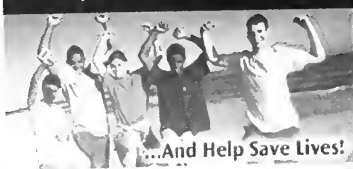
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

10:20 am Convocation - SA Election Speeches (Iles)
11:30 am Master of Software Engineering Forum (Hickman #115)
Brunchdays: Sara Bandel, Kristen Eller, Casey Grimm, Melvin Howard, Justin McNeill, Sandy Shaik, Ben McArthur

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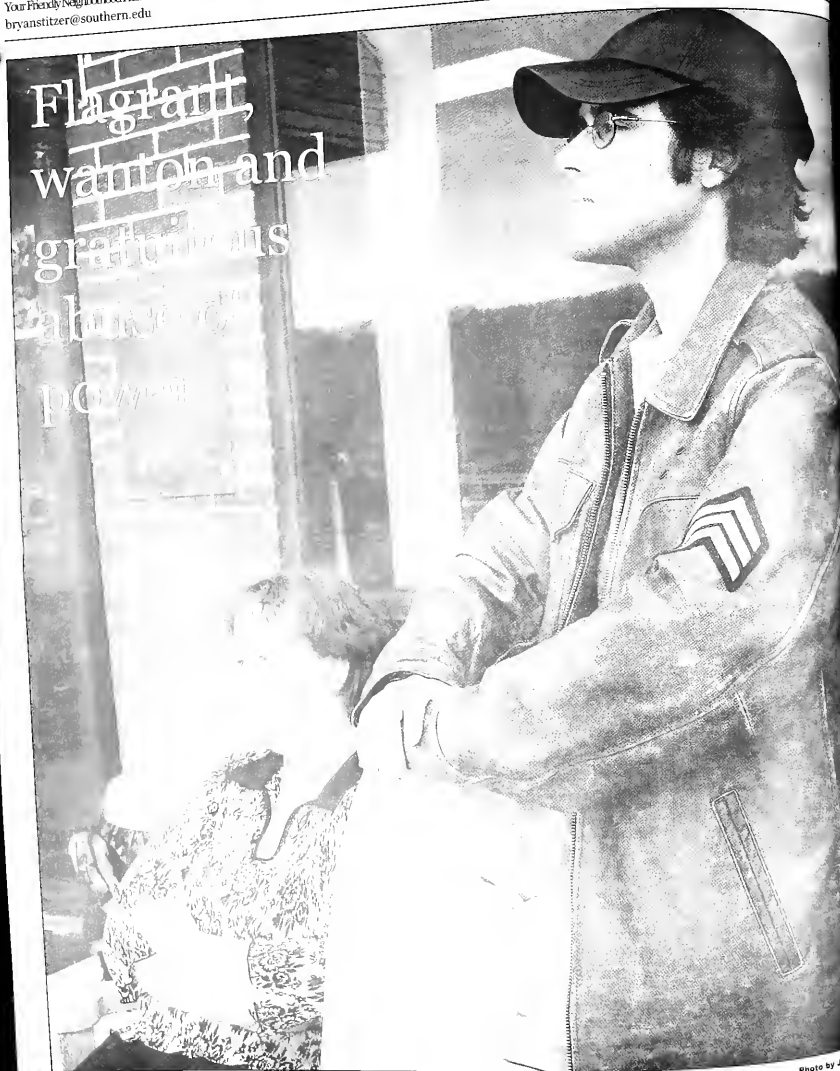


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Borrowed bus gets bashed up

DON CANTRELL
PHOTO EDITOR

One of Southern's tour busses was damaged in a close shave with a rock outcropping Sunday evening.

The bus was on loan to Collegedale Academy for a ski trip to North Carolina when the accident happened. Traveling along a narrow, winding back road, bus driver Bob Bolton had carefully traveled in his lane.

The bus driver was forced to decide between scraping the side of the bus along a rock wall, or a head-on-collision with the vehicle in its path.

Although the passengers were thoroughly frightened, nobody was seriously injured. "Everybody was fine, aside from some minor cuts from the broken windows," said Barry Becker, director of Transportation Services, who is overseeing repairs to the bus' damaged right side.

Becker said with the cost of each of the bus windows at around \$1,800, the damages to the bus could be upwards of \$10,000. The bus was still drive-able after the accident and returned to Southern under its own power Sunday night.

"Accidents happen," said Becker. "We're just glad everybody is ok."



Photo contributed
At least five glass panels on the side of the tour bus will need to be replaced.



Photo by Jacqui Seelye

A student was struck last month at this crosswalk by Summerour

Pedestrian injured at Summerour crosswalk

RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

A pedestrian was injured Jan. 21 when a vehicle hit her as she crossed Industrial Dr. at Summerour Hall, according to campus safety.

The pedestrian was in the crosswalk, said Eddie Avant, director of campus safety. The driver, who was leaving the Summerour Hall parking lot, did not see the pedestrian.

"We've had close calls at the crosswalks," Avant said, "but no one has ever been hit to my knowledge until then."

The pedestrian's injuries were minor, and she was treated at health services, Avant said.

Both the driver and the pedestrian were affiliated with the university, Avant said. Their names have not been released

at this time.

The Summerour crosswalk is especially dangerous because it's on the top of a hill, and because of "the way our students and faculty drive," Avant said.

The crosswalk can also be slippery when it's wet or covered with leaves, said Cathy Olson, director of the Teaching Materials Center in Summerour Hall.

At the time of the accident, Olson was in her office, which has a window facing the crosswalk. She did not see the accident happen, but looked up immediately and saw the pedestrian lying on the ground.

"I actually thought the person had fallen rather than gotten hit, but maybe that was just wishful thinking," Olson said.

Several faculty members have been nearby hit, and a number of people have

fallen in the Summerour crosswalk, Olson said.

Campus safety and the university have also attempted to prevent accidents by posting signs outlining Tennessee's crosswalk laws. According to the law, a pedestrian at a crosswalk should yield to an oncoming vehicle. Drivers are supposed to yield to a pedestrian who's already in the crosswalk, Avant said.

Avant emphasized that this means drivers must yield to pedestrians who have already started across the street—not to those approaching the crosswalk.

"It goes back to what you should have learned in elementary school," Avant said. "The person standing at the crosswalk is supposed to look both ways;

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If there is any one thing that a man should do in private, it is his loving.

-Edgar Watson Howe

Pedestrians

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if there's a vehicle coming, you don't step into the crosswalk."

The energy management department recently worked with the City of Collegedale to install a SmartCrosswalk on University Drive. The system includes flashing warning lights in the road and an illuminated warning sign. Pedestrians can activate the warning lights by pushing a button.

However, the system "is not used very frequently by our students to let people know they are coming," Avant said.

A Power Point presentation made by Light Guard Systems, Inc., who created the system, points out that the lights simply notify drivers of a pedestrian's presence, they can't guarantee that drivers will actually stop.

Tennessee pedestrian law

Laws for pedestrians to observe:

1. No pedestrian shall suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle which is so close that it is impossible for the driver to yield.

2. Every pedestrian crossing a roadway at any point OTHER than within a marked crosswalk or within an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection shall YIELD the right-of-way to ALL VEHICLES upon the roadway.

Tennessee Law Codes
(TCA 55-8-134 and TCA 55-8-135)

Kerry wins big in Tennessee Primary

DON CANTRELL
NEWS EDITOR

Massachusetts Senator John Kerry picked up even more momentum in his bid for the Democrat nomination on Tuesday with victories in Tennessee and Virginia.

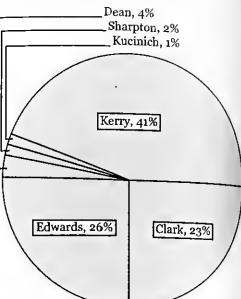
Only months ago, Kerry had single-digit poll numbers and was forced to take out a mortgage on his Bescoo Hill mansion to finance his faltering campaign; now he seems to be in command of the race.

With 98 percent of Tennessee precincts reporting, Kerry had 41 percent, Edwards had 26 percent, Clark 23 percent, Dean 4 percent, Sharpton 2 percent and Kucinich 1 percent, said Liza Porteus of Fox News.

With his latest victory in Tennessee, Kerry picked up 69 delegates to bring him to a total of 607. Dean is in second place with 182 delegates, Edwards to third with 163 and Clark, who dropped out of the race Wednesday evening, has 96. 2,162 delegate votes are needed to capture the nomination.

Voter turnout in Collegedale was average for a primary election, according to the polling station at City Hall. The total of Collegedale voters stood at 299 as of 7:15 p.m. on Tuesday, with 45 minutes remaining. The

Tennessee and Virginia primaries are followed by the Nevada and Washington D.C. primaries on Feb. 14, Wisconsin on Feb. 17, Hawaii, Idaho and Utah on Feb. 24.



Tennessee primary polling data
Compiled by Fox News.com

Collegedale police arrest 20 in warrant sweep

JACQUI SEELEY
STAFF WRITER

The Collegedale Police Department made more than 20 arrests Jan. 5-9 during the first warrant sweep ever held in the city. Patrol officers joined the city's Criminal Investigation Division and captured four of Collegedale's most wanted, narrowing the list to 10.

Sgt. Eston Pyle, head of criminal investigation, said offenders end up on the most wanted list based on the severity of their charges and the length of time a warrant has been out for their arrest. The current charges include stalking, burglary, theft, vandalism, domestic assault, and possession of narcotics.

Police Chief Dennis Cramer said warrants for Southern

Adventist University students are few and are issued for traffic violations or minor theft. Cramer prefers students pay their court fines rather than have arrest warrants served on campus.

"We don't want to embarrass them, but we will go pick them up," Cramer said. "Just show up for court. Don't get those fines. Just don't get in that position."

"We give warrants for a simple speeding ticket all the way to murder," Cramer said. "Every Wednesday we issue three or four more warrants for people that don't show for court dates."

Warrants are issued within 24 hours of failing to appear in court, usually for traffic violations. The department would prefer a court visit to the station and pay the fines before a warrant is issued.

"The warrants were backlogged for several years," said patrol supervisor Lt. James Hardeaman. The combined manpower of patrol officers and the department's criminal investigation division enabled the warrant search to be done without overtime, said Hardeaman.

"We had such a big warrant list, one or two people couldn't effectively work on that list," said Cramer. "Some of the warrants we found were so old [7-8 years] we had to throw them out due to the statute of limitations." The statute of limitations is a legal deadline by which the government must prosecute a criminal. The length of time varies with the severity of the charge.

Due to the success of the first warrant sweep, the department plans to conduct a sweep every six weeks until

the warrant list goes longer remains.

'A Night in Paris' ends in property theft

DON CANTRELL
NEWS EDITOR

Last weekend's SA Valentine's banquet, "A Night in Paris," offered more than just quality entertainment.

In addition to artistic caricatures and fine cuisine, other highlights of the evening included a marriage proposal and the theft of an Accent staff member's property from his parked car.

After Accent humor editor

Brian Stitzer concluded his recital of a Shakespearean sonnet, Ian Brooks proposed to Carrie Duke, who gleefully accepted his offer.

However, while Stitzer was busy reciting poetry, a thief was busy breaking into his car in the convention center's parking garage.

"I walked over to my car after the banquet was finished and noticed my passenger side window was broken out. I got closer and saw that my

dashboard and center console were ripped apart and my stereo was missing," Stitzer said.

In addition to his car stereo, over 30 CDs and a backpack full of books were stolen. Stitzer estimates the damages and stolen property's value at around \$800 to \$900. Although he filed a police report, Stitzer is not optimistic about the chances of his property being returned.

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ACA offers overseas programs

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The director of Adventist Colleges Abroad will be on campus Feb. 24 recruiting students who wish to study overseas.

Students who have lived in another culture have a far greater chance of obtaining a job overseas than their peers, according to Carlos Parra, dean of the School of Modern Languages. That is because employers look more at experience than at degrees when hiring, Parra explained.

Former Southern students who studied foreign languages abroad now have jobs overseas, Parra added.

No method of language acquisition is as effective as language immersion, according to Lorelei Winters, a senior English and Spanish double major who spent a year at the Universidad Adventista del Plata in Argentina.

"By immersing yourself into the culture, you learn more and you learn faster," Parra said.

In order to maximize the advantages of studying overseas for a year, ACA students should "refuse to speak English," said Stella Kim, a

junior with a double major in English and Spanish who spent a year in Sagunto, Spain.

Students who have studied abroad say that the experience has made a huge impact on their lives.

"It lets you discover a whole new part of yourself that you probably didn't even know existed," said Kim.

ACA offers both a summer and a school-year program. Students must submit an application by May 15 for the summer program or July 15 for the school year.

Only a passport is necessary to participate in a summer program, according to Greg Hughes, assistant to the director of ACA. However, visas are required along with passports for the school year.

Students earn six college credit hours of a foreign language in the summer program, which runs for about five to six weeks, according to ACA's summer language program booklet. During the summer, each participating college organizes trips to tourist sites across the country in order to enhance students' educational experiences.

Former ACA students say

that one benefit of studying abroad for an entire year is more time for travel. For instance, students in Europe can travel the continent during breaks by using a Eurailpass.

This year marks ACA's highest enrollment, with 180 students studying abroad, according to Hughes. Participating colleges are located in countries including Austria, Brazil, France, Hong Kong, Italy, Mexico, Spain, Ukraine and Greece.

Hughes said the average for tuition is normally between \$14-15,000 a year. The price includes everything minus airfare and personal expenses.

If you wish to study abroad, come to the banquet room in the cafeteria Tuesday, Feb. 24 from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Odette Ferreira, director of ACA, will be available to provide more information and to answer questions.

Dorm care packages proposed

BRIAN MAGSIPCO
STAFF WRITER

Among the various proposals made in the Feb. 4 Senate meeting was the possibility of creating and selling dorm care packages. Senator Aaron McNulty, junior accounting major, introduced the proposal. "It's a good thing...we're just trying to find a way to benefit dorm students," he said. Parents of dorm students would be able to order care packages that the students would receive during finals week. Senate would get 20% of the profits, which would go towards funding projects.

Open parking was officially proposed by Senator Matt Newbern, junior biology major, and Byron Moore, junior business administration major. Open parking would allow students to park anywhere on campus from Friday 6 p.m. to Monday 1 a.m. "It's just more convenient for dorm students on the weekend," Newbern said. "It's not going to inconvenience community students greatly...most students at Southern are dorm and it would be more convenient for them." This isn't

going to inconvenience as many people as it inconveniences now," he added. Moore does not foresee any downsides to the proposal. "There's a lot of supply [of parking spaces] and little demand due to no classes being held."

"Bow for kids' sake" was proposed by Senator Matt Nofsinger, sophomore religious education major. It is a fund raising program run by Big Brothers Big Sisters of America. Five teams of four people would be sponsored by Senate at \$260 a team.

Teams from Southern would get a chance to play with teams from other schools.

New welcome signs were proposed by Senator Hollie Eirich, junior mass communication major. These signs would replace the current signs in front of Mable Wood Hall and the gym. They would use electronic dot matrix technology, making the information displayed easier to change. Students would be better informed of upcoming events.

These proposals, as well as many others, have been introduced to Senate. The deadline for new proposals is March 10.

Collegedale Church service broadcast live on local TV

ANDY WLASNIEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

Forty Days of Purpose is a program meant to bring Collegedale church members closer together. But Brian Henning is using the event to broaden the church's outreach in the community.

"I've wanted to broadcast church services at Collegedale for a while...and it seemed that the beginning of the 40 Days of Purpose was a good time to kick it off," Henning said.

A senior mass communication major, Henning has led a team of volunteers for the last month in broadcasting the Collegedale church service live over low-powered TV stations channels 30 and 26.

The video is shot by two cameras in the balcony of the church. The signal is then sent to the school of journalism's TV switching room in Brock Hall. There, Henning combines the video with full-screen graphics depicting Bible verses used in the sermon and audio feed supplied by WSMC.

Henning communicates with the camera operators via cell phone and tells



Photo by Angela Carver

Ted Prouty records the Collegedale Church service Saturday morning.

them what he wants to see in the next shot. The broadcast is supported with equipment from the university's AV department and the School of Journalism & Communication.

Stephen Ruf, a communications professor and staff sponsor of the project is glad to finally see a live broadcast originate from the church. "This has shown that [a live broadcast] can be done...and my hope is that this is just the beginning," Ruf said.

Ruf has received emails and phone calls from viewers, including one man who was able to watch the worship service with his wife in

a local nursing home.

"You realize what good you've done when you get feedback from the community," said Michael Younkun, a sophomore mass communication major and one of the camera operators for the broadcast.

The signal from the low power television stations covers Collegedale and Chattanooga.

As of now the broadcast is slated to continue for two more weeks when the 40 Days of Purpose sermon series is over. But it may continue afterward if church pastors and students involved show an interest.

A weekend of music

SHANE GALLATIN
STAFF WRITER

Next weekend the SAU School of Music will present two nights of music. The Pops Concert will take place on Feb. 14 and will include performances by several of Southern's musical groups, and the annual SAU Symphony Orchestra Concerto will take place the following night.

The Pops Concert will include performances by the Wind Symphony and Jazz Ensemble, among other groups. The Wind Symphony and Jazz Ensemble will play about a half-hour program full of different styles of music from the past century.

"Suite of Old American dances," a number that the Wind Symphony will play, is a piece from the 1950s that includes 5 different movements. Each movement is played in a different musical style, including ragtime, blues, and jazz.

The Jazz Ensemble will be performing Big Band and Latin styles. Featured soloists will include Tim Mercer, clarinet,

and Jenny Nixon, vocalist.

The Pops concert will begin at 8:00 Saturday night at Collegedale Academy.

The SAU Symphony Orchestra Concerto is an annual event here at Southern that showcases talent from all over the country.

Invitations to audition are sent to private and public schools nationwide. Competitors sent in audition tapes around October, and orchestra director Laurie Redmer-Minner narrows down the competition to 10-12 finalists. From there 5-6 winners are selected as soloists to play in the concerto.

This year, six winners were selected, four of which are from Southern: Ashley Rich on flute, Breanna Roth on violin, Kristopher Schwinn on oboe, and David Williams on organ. The other soloists are pianist Alicia R. Dellen, from Indiana, and trombonist Justin Waller, a music performance major at Lee University.

The Southern Symphony Orchestra Concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. Sunday at the Collegedale Church.

Student Association candidate platforms

Featured last week

For President

MELVIN TAYLOR



Melvin Taylor

"It's not a dictator that makes a leader, but someone who is sensitive to the suggestions and ideas of others, while allowing Christ to guide them as they guide others."

BYRON MOORE



Byron Moore

"I have built my life on three principles: Listen, care and take action. I am a leader who is experienced, knows the system, and gets the job done right the first time. For further information, please visit www.byron4prez.com."

For Social Vice

JUSTIN EVANS



Justin Evans

"I will bring to the office of social vice president: my experience from working with the current social vice, my ability to work with the social committee, my dedication to making the best events possible, and I will do my best to create a connection between Christ and the student body."

The following are the remaining SA Platforms, you will note that to the left are the pictures, names, and a brief synopsis of the candidates and their platforms featured in the Last Issue. For voting instructions turn to p. 9 [Opinion]

Executive Vice President candidate



Alan Orrison

Student Association Senate is one of the most valuable and important organizations we have as students here at Southern. Because of its significant role, SA Senate should be as effective and productive as possible. In order to function optimally and fulfill this role, the Senate needs not only a group of devoted students but an organized and willing vice president to lead it.

As a senator this past year, I have had a great time getting to know my constituents, speaking with them and helping them

with their concerns, and was encouraged by their thanks and praises for a job well done. I have worked on several issues in the guys' dorm including shower curtains in the community bathrooms, outside door locking schedule conflicts, an ID card laundry system, and online EFT forms. I have also been an active member of the Elections and Student-Faculty Committees.

I could continue to tell you about my leadership experience and academic success, including my role as president of the Debate Club and the respect of all my professors. But this is not the most important thing that I want to impress upon you about myself. I want you to know that I recognize the duty of executive vice president as a very important one, one that has many responsibilities that directly affect the student body. The most important thing that I have taken away from my duty as a senator this past year is the realization that senate plays a most significant role in our everyday lives as students. We are leaders: academically,

socially and spiritually.

This is why I wish to become executive vice president: to continue the level of involvement we as senators have with the student body, whether it be through SA-sponsored social events or through the all-famous donut days. I recognize that this is not all that senate does, and will balance social involvement with our legislative duties as the democratic representation of the student voice. Consequently, an efficient Senate is a second goal during my term. I wish to see all students' needs met, and that means effectively solving each and every issue that is brought before us in senate.

Therefore, the aim of my term will be to enhance Senate's relationship with Southern students as well as make their college experience the best that it can possibly be. In this way, I hope to build a Senate that is multi-functional which appeals to all facets of every student's life here at Southern. Thank you for voting for Alan Orrison for executive vice president.

Social Vice President candidates



Alex Brown

Dear Students, Throughout this year I have noticed that many of us get involved in social events that occur on this campus. I congratulate Thomas Westworth on a job well done as this year's social vice president. I believe that next year will call for a leader that can fill his shoes and bring about a

great year for the social structure of Southern. This cannot be done through by one leader, but by all of us. Social vice president is a position of service for all of us and I believe that I can undertake this office and all of its responsibilities.

During our college career, many of us would like to take some time away from our busy schedules and have some fun; I plan to bring new and exciting activities for all of you. I have worked many times as a social leader both for my church youth group and also for the schools that I have gone to. I have had a lot of fun working with many students and teachers to bring about great activities for everyone and now I would like to bring about great social excitement to Southern.

ment to Southern.

I have talked to many of the students on this campus and have seen that traditional social activities are good, but need to become better. There is also a need for more activities to take our minds off the stresses of life. I want to listen to what you all have to say and make your ideas into action. I have many ideas that I would like to become accomplishments on this campus that will make next year a year to remember.

You, the students of Southern, are the voice of the school, if you believe in me, then vote for me on February 19th. Only when we work together can we accomplish great things, lets work together to transform Southern and bring it to life next year. Vote Alex Brown!



John Burghart

What's up Southern!! I'm not sure how many of you know me so I'll introduce myself. My name is John Burghart. I'm a sophomore cursing major, and I love to have fun, hang out and make friends. I come from the beautiful state of Washington and while I

do enjoy it here I miss my mountains. As I look at our student body I see a lot of diversity: there are various groups of people that tend to stick together—those from the same state, same school or people who play the same sports, listen to the same music, and generally do the same things we do. Now there is nothing wrong with 'chillin' with the same people; however I believe that the face of a school is its students, and if the students are not fully represented the face is not fully seen.

That is why I'm running for SA Social VP; I think we need to have activities that appeal to and include all of Southern's students. Activities where there is

something for everyone. Parties where all types of people can have fun. Not parties for those who don't have cars or anything better to do. These parties should be places where people want to be. In the past our SA parties have improved but there is always room for change. I want to make my change at Southern the most enjoyable possible. I'm sure many of you feel the same way. Let's come on Southern, let's do something!

Cast your vote
Online
Thursday
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THE RELIGION

Student Missionary recovers, thanks to the power of prayer

BRYAN GEACH
SM in ZAMBIA, AFRICA

Editor's Note: Bryan Geach is a student missionary in the African country of Zambia. In addition to doing maintenance work, he also helps with evangelism and helps planting. Two other Southern students, Luke Fisher and Susie Schomburg, are also serving as student missionaries with Geach.

The day was Nov. 16 and it started out like a usual day. I got up about 6:30 to eat breakfast and by 7:30 I was at work. My job here at Riverside Farm is working on the construction of a lifestyle center. I was helping some other guys get some boards nailed to the eaves of the house. As I was walking on a plank, it rolled and caused me to fall. I fell a single story, landing on a tile floor. My head landed on the hammer that I had been holding just a second before and it gave me a large gash. I was unconscious, not breathing and in a post traumatic seizure.

Immediately Luke Fisher (a fellow SM) ran to the clinic to get help while my supervisor, Alan, tried to get me to

breathe and told all the nationals to pray. After I started breathing again, Alan quickly made a backboard for me out of scrap lumber. I was taken to the hospital, which was very interesting in itself. They had no sheets, pillows or pain medication and I had to sleep with my hand over my wound to keep the flies off. I received stitches for the gash caused by the hammer. I had x-rays done and they showed everything to be fine.

The next day I was taken to a private hospital with better care and very nice people, but no hospital in Zambia has a CT scan machine so the day after that I was flown to Johannesburg in South Africa for a CT scan to be done. After having the CT scan completed I was told that my cranium had four fractures and I also had a small blood clot. I stayed in South Africa for about a month to recover before returning to Zambia.

I hate to think about what might have happened if those nationals had not said the prayers that they did. I later found out that the nationals did not eat that day and were in constant prayer for me.



Bryan Geach

Words cannot describe how thankful I am to the nationals for their prayers. Through all of this I have really come to realize how God watches after us and how powerful prayer is. So many times throughout the day Jesus protects and guides us, yet we often do not give a few minutes a day to give to Him. I would like to challenge every student and faculty member at Southern to put some time aside for God each day. Trust me; spending time with God is definitely worth it. Think about it. Don't you think that your Creator who died for you is most deserving of your time?

In His temple, then and now

DARRYL BENTLEY
FRESHMAN THEOLOGY MAJOR

Once again God has captivated my thoughts and mind through the pen of Elie White. The chapter entitled "In His Temple" in "The Desire of Ages," has impacted me greatly. As I read this story I tried to put myself in that crowd. I tried to picture the very face of Christ as he beheld the irreverent scene sprawled before Him in the outer courts of the temple. I wanted to feel that piercing look that He cast upon those that brought shame to the "sacred temple reared in His honor" (Desire of Ages, p. 161). I tried to imagine how He would have walked down the stairs of the courtyard. I wanted to watch His indignation build as He came closer and still closer to those who had wrought this careless scene. And I wanted to be there as the peak of His disgust came to a holy climax, He came to cleanse the area of all that offended. The tables of the money changers were knocked over. The sellers of animals were flushed from their corners, and the only ones left were those who patiently waited in silence to hear what, if anything, Christ might say.

There are so many powerful parallels that we can draw from this scene. Primarily, I wonder

what the temple of my heart would look like if it were able to be explored. If the fleshly doors of my heart and mind were opened for inspection, what array of sins would one find as they followed each corridor of my heart? Would there be heavenly treasure stored there just waiting to be tapped into at the Spirit's prompting? Or would it be safe to say that there are things there that would embarrass me beyond compare? Fortunately for me, no one has the power to take a tour of my heart except Jesus. We are told in Jeremiah 17:9 that "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?"

As I read through the scenes of the temple cleansing, I realized just how sacred my mind and heart is to Jesus. How many times have I let the evil of our days be poured into His earthly temple? I am reminded of the words of Paul in I Corinthians 3:16. He writes, "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?" I have many times forgotten that I am the temple of God. Many times I have put things into this temple that have not honored the God I love and serve. I do not mean through just alcohol or food. I mean the things that I read or watch on television or the music I choose. I mean anything I have indulged in that is contrary to the will of God.

As I have bombarded the senses with every manner of evil, I have cluttered the area in and around the throne room of my heart. I have openly allowed the "money changers" and "thieves" to come into my heart and to rob me of the blessing that would be mine; blessings that would have been mine had I only taken special care not to let in any corrupting thing. But just as Jesus went about and cleansed the physical temple in His day, He stands ready to cleanse the temple of my heart today. I am so very thankful that Jesus is still in the business of cleansing temples! I am eternally grateful that I heard the Savior's knocking at my heart's door and I let Him in. I long to meet Him face to face and personally thank Him for having mercy on me.

Collegiate Quarterly, Young Adult Bible Study Guide turns 25

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ADVENTIST NEWS NETWORK

What began on a single college campus a quarter-century ago has grown into a global spiritual force, Seventh-day Adventist Church leaders say.

"CQ," first published as "Collegiate Quarterly," is a quarter-century Bible study guide written with a devotional emphasis and produced for young adults in the Adventist church. Some 70,000 copies are published and sold quarterly in 15 languages, and the lessons are also available online. CQ's content has been on the same outline as the church's "Adult Bible Study Guide."

CQ was initially written and published by students and staff at Union College, a Seventh-day Adventist institution in Lincoln, Neb. After Collegiate Quarterly moved to other North American

Adventist colleges and universities, the world headquarters of the church began producing the volumes in 1987. Initially produced solely for Adventist college students, the editors began aiming content at young adults, in general, in 1991. This has led to participation of writers from educational and medical institutions, the military, local churches and even a group of prison inmates.

Each week's lesson comprises seven articles written by seven young adults, says Gary B. Swanson, CQ editor since 1990. That means more than 90 different people contribute each quarter.

"I've checked with other publishers and CQ really is unique. It's the only religious education publication that is written by the readers," Swanson tells ANN. "This kind of diversity of expression captures a

rich breadth of content, and we have a great many readers who are no longer young adults but who appreciate CQ as a supplement to the Adult Bible Study Guide."

Swanson says that "religious education is expected to come from the 'experts,'" but notes CQ's "interactive" approach has been successful with readers. Today, CQ has spawned a wide-ranging ministry that includes teacher's materials, training events and videos, the weekly "Sabbath School University" satellite television broadcast, a monthly e-bulletin and an interactive Internet Web site, <http://cq.adventist.org>.

"CQ gives me a better understanding of the Scriptures," writes 20-year-old Marcelina Corpuz of the Philippines. "Every lesson leaves me with a clearer and wider perspective and with strength to

live on. It leads me closer to Him."

According to 28-year-old Moses Kayongo of Uganda, "If there is one excellent Bible study guide for people who think young, it is CQ. I have witnessed the amazing things God does with this Bible study resource."

James W. Zackrisson, director of the world church's Sabbath School and Personal Ministries department, said Collegiate Quarterly "is one of the most valuable study guides we have. It has become more than what it was originally designed to be."

So far, two events have marked the anniversary: a sheet of self-adhesive "stamps" has been released depicting 50 CQ issue covers in full color, and a chapel service is planned for Union College in September, bringing the CQ story full circle.

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

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Try Moe's Lewinsky

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LIFESTYLES EDITOR

What do you get when you mix a Fat Sam and a Billy Barou? A burrito the size of your head and a side of nachos! "Welcome to Moe's is the first thing you hear when you walk into Moe's Southwest Grill. Decorated with bright colors and filled with the wonderful smell of fajitas and tortillas lingering in the air, this trendy restaurant has the potential of being a really great hangout on Saturday nights.

This Subway-style restaurant displays the menu on the wall where you can choose from items with names that you just might recognize from television, such as The Home Wrecker and the Ugly Naked Guy. Then as you move on to pay, the workers strike up conversation with you as you watch them prepare your food.

So what is on this menu, you might ask? For the burrito lover, try the Art Vandalay. If you want to get a little dangerous, try their fajitas. Moe's gives you a choice of meat, including tofu (fear not, veggie-lovers!) And for those who are watching their weight, Moe's has a great selection of salads.

The menu features such items as quesadillas and hard shell tacos in addition to their extraordinarily HUMONGOUS burritos. I tried The Other Lewinsky, which is a smaller burrito, and even it was pretty tasty and filling. And the best part about it was that my whole meal was under six dollars!

The one downside to this near-perfect restaurant is a less-than-tasty choice of salads. On the plus side, they do not use animal fat or lard in their food, and all of their products are fresh.

Moe's claims to have the biggest, healthiest, best burritos in town, and I think they might be right. Go and try it some time; you will be just as pleased as I was.

For more information about Moe's Southwest Grill (including items and locations) go to their website at www.moes.com.

Weddings & Engagements



DOVE - RUSSELL

Jaclyn Rochelle Dove of Gresham, Oregon and Jonathan Thomas Howard Russell of Eagle Creek, Oregon are pleased to announce their engagement. Their wedding is planned for July 18, 2004.

Blue Ridge Mountain adventure race

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CONTENT CONTRIBUTOR

The Blue Ridge Mountain Adventure Race in Blue Ridge was the first race of its kind in Georgia when it started seven years ago with only 16 teams running, kayaking and mountain biking their way through the Chattahoochee National Forest in the rugged Georgia mountains. Today there are 90 co-ed teams of three, and the Blue Ridge race has become Georgia's favorite.

According to members of 2003 Team Water Turkey, "The Blue Ridge Mountain Adventure Race is unofficially the annual Georgia Adventure Racing family reunion."

This year's "reunion" will be held on Saturday, April 17 with an 8 a.m. shot-gun start at the historic Shallowford River Bridge over the Toccoa River. Teams will run along the Benton MacKaye Trail, funyak the chilly waters of the Toccoa, mountain bike trails of the Aska Adventure Area and participate in challenging "mystery events" along the way. "While the race may seem unimimidating with no gear list, relatively short distances and a fully marked course, the terrain and the

level of competition are unforgiving," says Team Water Turkey. This year's course will also include a new navigation section.

Adventure racers return to Blue Ridge year after year because they love the Blue Ridge Mountain Adventure Race. Why? Marjorie Perry, team member of the Buddha Babies in 2003's race, says, "I love everything about the race. I love that the town puts it on and supports it. I love the brutal race course." The race was named one of the Top 20 Events in the Southeast in 2002 and is a sanctioned, qualifying event of the USARA, United States Adventure Racing Association.

What really makes the Blue Ridge race appealing to everyone is the warm community welcome they receive in Blue Ridge. The event starts on Friday night with a mandatory briefing and dinner at Fannin High School. Racers and their support people (one per team) receive a bag full of goodies from the race managers and sponsors. The morning of the race, a large crowd gathers to watch the start and spectators follow the

racers from one event to another. Six or more hours later, the first team completes a final challenging mystery event and crosses the finish line in downtown Blue Ridge City Park. Spectators gather to watch the finish and to enjoy live music, food and a festive family atmosphere.

Hundreds of community volunteers make the race work like clockwork.

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Lessons in love from a Sevierville legend

Jimmie Temple married thousands at his feed and seed store.

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Long-time Sevierville resident and county commissioner, Jimmie Temple, knows a thing or two about getting hitched. Over the last 25 years, Temple conservatively estimates that he has married about 15,000 happy couples and the numbers continue to steadily increase each year.

Until 2001, Temple performed his service in the office at his family business, Temple's Feed and Seed Store, with bags of Miracle Gro and dog food stacked nearby. Newly licensed lovebirds would often find their way to Temple's Feed and Seed by wandering across the street from the Sevier County Courthouse in downtown Sevierville.

Now that the Feed and Seed is closed, Jimmie Temple and his wife, Marie, work out of the old

family home on Court Ave., which is now their office. Couples still drop by to be married and Temple still enjoys every single "I do."

"My favorite part about marrying couples is that I get to meet people from all walks of life," Temple explained. "They're usually nervous, but I try to personalize each and every ceremony by getting to know a little about them."

Once couples have pledged their love, Temple sends them home with a business card-sized reminder of their vows entitled "4 Points for a Successful Marriage," including "Your Love," "Your Trust," "Your Friendship" and "Your Respect." These enduring four points are also a part of each couple's vows to one another, and Temple writes each couple's marriage date on the card.

"I get a lot of touching letters from couples who keep their cards with them to remember what is really important in their marriage," Temple explained. In fact, one couple married in 2000 recently wrote thanking him for their personalized service and the "4 Points" card saying that they had prayed the night before for someone who would treat their wedding ceremony specially.

Temple says that most couples find him through recommendations from couples he has married in the past. "We've also been on several television programs, and the Sevierville Chamber of Commerce has us on their web site," Temple remarked. Word of mouth and more modern means of advertising have combined to boost the number of couples at Temple's office, especially those from out-of-state.

"I would say that of the 15,000 couples I've married, 8,000 have been within the last 10 years and more of the couples I marry are from out of state," he noted. Although those numbers sound more like those of a honeymoon chaperone rather than a county commissioner's office, Temple has never considered what he does a business and never charges for his services. Why, you ask? His reply is simple: "I just really enjoy doing this."

Valentine's Banquet

A Night in Paris: February 8, 2004



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OPINION

Letter to the editor

Thumbs-up Thumbs-down

By Justin Kobylka



Thumbs up to teachers who use WebCT extensively. There are only a

handful of teachers on campus who use this resource to its full possibility. WebCT offers resources such as sample quizzes, syllabi and more learning resources.



Thumbs down to drivers that speed through Southern

Village. Several students have had been nearly run over. Besides the students residing in the village, there is an apartment building full of married families, some of which have children.



Thumbs up to the Valentine's banquet. Thank you

SA for planning and executing such an awesome event. The student-led entertainment was a huge improvement over past entertainment schemes. Thank you for your hard work.



Thumbs down to students who are irresponsible and leave their trays

and take-out containers on the table in the cafeteria after meals. This may just be forgetfulness but it is really unfair to the cafeteria staff.

Dear Editor:

I just wanted to take a moment to express my utmost satisfaction following Sunday night's Valentine's Banquet. It was evident that Thomas Wentworth and his social committee turned a listening ear to the desires of the student body, and the event was all the better because of it.

Initially, as I read the description in the Accent, I was a little nervous. I interpreted the words "buffet" and "strolling," as "caf   food" and "no entertainment." Imagine my surprise when the food was not only abundant but was also exceptional. Perhaps it was crude of those at my table, but we each helped ourselves to generous helpings of the variety of pastas available. The salad was fresh and hadn't been sitting on our table for hours in advance. And of course, the bread was warm from the oven. It was the first Southern banquet after which I was able to sip coffee and relax

with friends instead of dashing off to Taco Bell.†

Now, I enjoy a good meal followed by a single entertainment event. However, logistically, I also understand the incredible difficulty in finding high quality entertainment at high quality price for a large group of Southern students. That said, I think the "streets of Paris" concept was the next best thing. My group was able to find nearly a dozen "photo ops" that had been set up around the banquet hall, and it gave us an opportunity to bump into friends we don't get to see very often on campus. Furthermore, we were serenaded by piano and violin music and had our picture drawn by one of several "street artists." And what would street life be like without improv comedy and juggling acts?

Last, but not least, the discounts at area eateries were an excellent final touch. Most of us are going to go out and socialize after the banquet any-

way, and I was very impressed that the SA made extra accommodations for that outside of the main event.

All in all, it was an evening to remember—completely unique of anything I had ever experienced. Kudos, cheers and two thumbs up to Thomas, Kari and everyone else involved in the planning and execution of the event. You guys poured your hearts and souls into making the banquet a success, and I think you pulled it off with flying colors. I can only hope that future SA teams continue to build on the solid foundation you have laid for them.

Sincerely,

Anthony Vera Cruz, senior, business administration and public relations major

* - Not that caf   food is bad, Mr. Evans, just that we eat that every day, of course.

† - Don't worry, Taco Bell, I'll be back to make up for it later this week!

Wear Old Navy, not Old Glory

Dear Editor:

The half-time show at this year's Super Bowl XXXVIII was nothing less than appalling. What made the half-time show so shameful wasn't merely the fact that Janet Jackson and her scantily clad backup singers were gyrating to questionable music, nor was it Nelly's rendition of "Hot in Here" in which he describes women taking off their clothing with obvious sexual overtones. To me the most atrocious act was committed when Robert Ritchie, also known by his popular pseudonym "Kid Rock," walked onstage wearing a mangled American flag as a poncho.

This disgraceful act is typical of how many Americans use the U.S. flag. In their efforts to show their patriotism, Americans feel that they can do whatever they want to the flag. The flag in itself is not sacred and it should never be defiled or hallowed. However, the flag is a powerful symbol of America and of our collective ideals as

Americans. As such, the flag should never be treated in an undignified way.

The sort of conduct typified by Kid Rock is explicitly condemned in United States law. The United States Code Title 4 Chapter 1 Section 8(d) clearly states that "The flag should never be used as wear-

ing apparel." Some may argue that he was simply trying to be a patriotic American and that he had good intentions. However, it is never patriotic to treat the symbol of our nation with such disrespect, regardless of intent.

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Shoestrings

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I saw the most amazing thing in midtown Manhattan today! As I came to the corner of 41st and 2nd Ave. I spotted a gentleman, dressed in designer suit and tie, kneeling in the middle of the sidewalk next to an elderly woman. When I got closer, I was astonished to see that he was tying the laces of her tattered black boots. He didn't even seem to care that the sidewalk was filled with slush and snow.

This humble act would be incredible in any city, but especially so in New York where the rapid pace causes people to push their way through the streets or be swept up with the current. It is very rare that people even look at each other in the eye, let alone notice an untied shoe.

I told him how sweet he was and I jokingly asked, "Are there more like you?" He let out a huge laugh and then we parted ways, but his "Good Samaritan" deed has stayed with me.

Most of us have walked around with untied shoes at one point in our lives. Relationships that have split apart, conflicts that have left broken, and dreams that have unraveled. I am so thankful to the people in our lives who care enough to bend down and untie us their shoes again. Whether it is actual shoestrings or shoestrings that they touch, our world is a better place because of their love.

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When illegal aliens are alright

TIM MORSE
GUEST COLUMNIST

Most of you will have started reading this article because of the somewhat strange title you see above this. Yeah, I know, it seems kind of heretical, but bear me out—don't call me wacko until you're done reading this column. So let's go, shall we?

Wal-Mart. That great American symbol of entrepreneurial success has been in the news lately, and not over particularly positive things. It seems our good friends at Wal-Mart headquarters discovered that they could hire illegal immigrants to work in their stores and pay them less money than the rest of their employees because of their, um, special situation.

It was a deplorable scam, to be sure, but the reaction to this situation has been mixed. A great debate now rages all across the fruited plains about what should happen regarding this situation—forms of which have surfaced in several corporations since.

So what to do? Many Americans have raged against the illegal immigrants for tak-

ing "their jobs" and putting "hard-working Americans" out of work. They insist on referring to the immigrants as "job thieves." News Flash! The immigrants didn't "hire themselves"—Wal-Mart did the hiring. Wal-Mart put Americans out of jobs.

Recently, I was listening to a radio show in which the host was conducting an interview with the lawyer filing a class action lawsuit against Wal-Mart, alleging that Wal-Mart cheated thousands of immigrant workers out of wages. The host argued that the workers didn't deserve to get paid the same wages as Americans because they were illegal immigrants and shouldn't have been in America in the first place. Soon afterward, a caller called up and stated the following: "Saying that an illegal immigrant doesn't deserve to be paid the same wages as an American because he doesn't belong here in the first place is like saying that a person trapped in a well shouldn't be saved because he shouldn't have been playing around the well in the first place." Good point.

So what's the solution? How can this be resolved to best suit people? Simple: Don't worry about who is illegal and who's not—just enforce a standard minimum wage. Make sure that companies like Wal-Mart pay at least minimum wage to all their employees. Who cares whether or not they're illegal? Follow me on this—if companies such as Wal-Mart are forced to pay the same wage to illegal aliens, then any incentive these companies would have had to hire illegal immigrants to begin with is effectively nixed.

Now I know some of you will still whine and complain. Some will still reject any form of competition whatsoever. Let's look at this from a practical

standpoint for a moment. Illegal immigration will never be stopped—the INS won't catch everyone, and the illegal aliens in this country will continue to be a part of our economy.

Oh, and how about this: if you still end up losing your job to some fresh-off-the-boat illegal immigrant—when you'll both be paid the same wage—then you really don't deserve to have a job anyway. Go learn how to work hard and stay off welfare doing something that, apparently, is even below an illegal alien. Competition is what has made this country great.

So there it is. Illegality approved. Any questions?

Mustard, pepper ban defended

ANDREW BERMUDEZ
OPINION COLUMNIST

"I have a dream!" Those words were spoken more than forty years ago in one of the most famous speeches in history. Although I wasn't there to hear it, they were apparently repeated in a slightly comical parody last week in the cafeteria. The front page of the venerable Accent filled me in on the details.

Ashleigh Cohen has an issue with the absence of condiments such as mustard and pepper in the cafeteria, and it doesn't take rocket science to figure out that she's not the only one who feels that way. The rhetoric used in her speech (if you haven't read it, find last week's Accent and check it out) was obviously not all serious. But it doesn't sound like her speech was a joke—and the subject that she brings up is anything but comical.

Condiments at the cafeteria, ties at vespers, attending dorm workshops—they are all areas in which the standards of the school annoy many students. In fact, such issues are often perceived as a "students vs. administrators/deans/insert your least favorite Victorian-school official here" type of debate.

It's true that there are cases when the rules are simply unnecessary. But let's consider the example of the cafeteria condiments (or the lack thereof). This policy probably dates

back to the early days of the school. Maybe it was even partially based on statements from Ellen White saying that such foods were unfit for human consumption. Reading such statements, administrators of the past decided that such foods should not be served to students at this institution. Modern health science has done nothing to disprove this notion—in fact, many of our church's standards on health have been supported by more recent discoveries.

So why is it that many students still desire these policies to be removed? We came to Southern understanding that it is an Adventist institution. It's only natural that it would operate under Adventist standards. If you don't like them, you are free to go elsewhere, or for that matter, bring in your pepper or mustard from somewhere else. As Seventh-day Adventists, we claim to uphold the standards of our church that includes standards in such unpopular areas as health and diet. If we don't, then what are we doing at an Adventist school? If Ellen White was just a confused old lady, then why study her works at all? If health standards aren't important, then why are we admonished to be the "temple of the Holy Spirit?" Think about it. And if you have an answer, feel free to present it—even from atop a cafeteria table.

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On January 29, 10 Israelis were killed in a Hamas-claimed homicide/suicide bombing. On the 31st the Israeli foreign ministry posted a graphic video of the immediate aftermath of the bombing on their website. The five-and-a-half minute video was shot by a government employee and showed the gruesome scene before any cleanup had taken place. This is the first time that such footage has been made available to the public by the Israeli government in hopes that the graphic depiction will help build support for initiatives to suppress the bombings, such as a "separation fence" between Palestinian and Israeli territories.

This video was immediately met with harsh criticism particularly because of its graphic nature. The footage shows the mutilated public transportation bus where the bombing occurred

with bodies and parts of bodies hanging on the frame. A cell phone lay broken on the ground a few inches away from a severed arm. These descriptions do not begin to describe the horrific scene.

I believe that the Israeli government was right in releasing the video to the public because this is our first chance to really understand the terrible violence in that region. There is no way that we can even comprehend what it is like to get on the bus and wonder if it is going to be blown by someone that doesn't even know you, but hates you just the same.

I don't advocate that the United States become militarily involved in the Israeli/Palestinian conflict. (That would be a huge mistake.) I do believe that Americans need to visualize themselves in the conflict. We would realize immediately if that is these bombings and brutalization of people occurred in the United States, we would not put up

with that for a second; there would be an immediate war against the offending nation. (And for good reason.)

It is really amazing that the Israelis continue to be patient with Palestinian militants despite blatant antagonism. We all know that the Palestinian authority would not have a chance in a war against Israel, but the Israeli government is still searching for ways to contain and protect their people while giving Palestinians jobs and positions within the Jewish economy. This really amazes me. But I applaud them for seeking to find a peaceful solution.

Editor's note: By the way, I know that this is a huge subject and can in no way be resolved in an opinion column, (or in a president's office, apparently). I do believe that the Palestinians have some valid complaints against the Israeli government, but I cannot condone the use of civilian murder to make a political statement.

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Hot To Trot dominates in big win over Hayes

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One look at the schedule would have suggested that the game between Hayes and Hot To Trot would be the marquee game of the final week of Men's intramural basketball. The 4-2 Hot To Trot team and the 4-1 Hayes squad seemed poised to use the final week's contests as a springboard into the tournament. And with both teams situated second and third in the Men's Northern Division, the game seemed to have blockbuster written all over it.

Too bad neither of the teams knew this.

The game started slow and sloppy, with both teams not really connecting with any sort of real shooting or cohesive game plan. Both teams looked like they were cruising on every possession and it almost appeared that the game, despite its importance for seeding in the tournament, really didn't matter to either squad. Both teams missed a large number of easy inside shots and finally Hot To Trot began to click late in the first half.

Hot To Trot led at the half-time break 23-11.

In the second half, the difference between Hot To Trot and Hayes became evident as the larger number of players and more efficient penetration game began to allow Hot To Trot to pull away. Despite the stellar play of Hayes' high scorer, Ryan Lucht (16 points), Hot To Trot had more than enough offensive spark to put the game away rather easily. Matt Campbell, Rick Christman and TJ Knutson all lead the balanced but uninspired attack of Hot To Trot to a decisive victory, 52-39. Both teams seemed to be resting up for the tournament, but it remains to be seen if this game will come back to haunt both teams in the seeding. Overall, this game was far less interesting than it should have been.

The Old Reliable: teamwork!

MARK GUNTHER
STAFF WRITER

Headline: With the intramural men's basketball season winding down, a pivotal Northwestern Division match up pitted the Has-Beens (3-2) against Showtime (2-3) with both teams vying for high seeds in the tournament. From the outset, the game looked to be a lock for Showtime as their numerical advantage seemed unbeatable. But a closer look during warm-ups gave everyone a clue that this might be a game that showed what teamwork and unselfish play can REALLY do.

The Has-Beens only dressed five players but from the opening tip looked sharper and crisper in their passing attack. To be fair, Showtime had played a game earlier in the evening and was a bit tired. But allowing that, Showtime's lack of focus on offense and inconsistent defensive stance kept allowing the Has-Beens to stay close. Minute after minute passed and Showtime just couldn't pull away from the Has-Beens' coordinated passing attack, despite the flashier and more aggressive style. At the halftime break, Showtime led 20-25.

Showtime Player Coach Rich McCarter said afterward that his team's play was not representative of their play overall. This is good, because their lack of teamwork and a cohesive flow made transition opportunities far too easy to come by for the Has-Beens in the second half. But due to the fact that only 2 out of every 5 shots the Has-Beens attempted fell, Showtime was able to rest on their deeper bench and fast break oriented



Photo by Melitta Pujic
Showtime's Mario Broussard and teammate Edwin Urbina block a rebound from team Has-beens Wednesday night.

offense. Despite all the advantages, Showtime just couldn't decisively finish the Has-Beens off.

Adam Brown's 17 points and Bryce Reading's 13 sparked a late half fight back by the Has-Beens that fell just short as they lost by 5, 52-47. Edwin Urbina and Cesar Medina were the high scorers for Showtime with 19 and 10 points respectively.

Showtime improved to 3-3 with the win and more importantly, gave itself a chance to finish second in the Northwest and get a high seed in the tournament. The Has-Beens, however, have the most to be optimistic about going into the tournament, no matter their seed. They play as a true team and good teams beat talented groups of players more often than not.



Photo by Marcella Coleman

Teacher Judy Sloan of The Mix makes a jump shot Thursday night during Dynamite vs. The Mix.

The Mix diffuse Dynamite

JUELLE JAMES
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The Mix had yet another win when they met Dynamite on Thursday night. The Mix's tough defense and organized offense led them to a 25-6 win over Dynamite.

The game got off to a slow start. The opening shot was made by the Mix's Eric Jenkins, giving them an early lead in the game. With five minutes left in the first half, the Mix had 12 points while Dynamite hadn't made a shot. Then Tiffany Harris, #34, made the first of the six points that the Dynamite would make during the rest of the game. Although the defense was intense, the members of Dynamite never lost their spark.

During the second half, Dynamite tried to turn up the notch on their defense. They had many break-throughs, snagging steals and grabbing many turnovers. But even with so many opportunities, Dynamite only scored five more points, which were made by Katie Minner, #20.

There were many outstanding plays by Dynamite but they were not outstanding enough for a win. Maybe when they play Madrigue on Thursday, Dynamite will have a better "match."



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April 5, 2004
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Tuesday, February 17 9 a.m., 2 pm
Wednesday, February 18 9 a.m., 2 pm
Thursday, February 19 8 a.m., 1 pm
Friday, February 20 9 a.m.
Sunday, February 22 9:30 a.m.

Student Association

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contact by the Chaplain's Office for
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contact Nathan Lindsey (1640) or
Becky Whetmore (2159).

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

11:00 am Convocation - SA Election Speeches (Iles)
11:00 am Master of Software Engineering Forum
(Hickman #115)
7:00 pm 360 Degrees (Seminar Room in Church)
Birthdays: Sara Baggel, Kristen Eller, Casey Grimm, Melvin Howard,
Justin McNellis, Sandy Shaik, Ben McArthur

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13

12:00 pm Social Work Program Application Due
(Department)
6:21 pm Sunset
8:00 pm Vespers (Church)
Graduate Record Exam Application Deadline
Birthdays: Kyle Aiken, Justin Carter, Albert Handal, Jenna Hyde,
Carolee Karst, Tiffany Smith, Adolfo Granada, Kent Robertson

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14

11:00 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
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9:45 am "Student Center Sabbath School" (Student Center)
10:00 am "Another Sabbath School"
(Thatcher South Activity Room)
11:30 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
12:30 pm Advent Home (Meet at Wright Hall)
1:30 pm Clown Ministries (Meet at Wright Hall)
5:00 pm Room in the Inn (Meet at Wright Hall)
6:00 pm Evensong (Church)
8:00 pm Pops Concert (CA Auditorium)
Valentine's Day
Birthdays: Milena Bagoich, Yvonne Delcampo, Crystal Gilbert, Yuki
Higashide, Kristina Nelson, Laura Perry, Valencia Stancwall, Stacy
Weston

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15

10:00 am Mother/Daughter Brunch (Dining Hall)
7:30 pm Symphony Orchestra Concert (Church)
Birthdays: Becky Tirabassi, Fernando Diaz, Kelly McAdiffe, Danae
Taylor, Lynn Taylor, Aaron Wilson, Patricia Salter

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16

3:30 pm Academic Affairs
President's Day
Blood Drive
Birthdays: Jorge Quintana, Michael Sacro, Helen Pyke

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

11:45 am Tornado Siren Test
12:00 pm SA Press Conference (Dining Hall)
7:00 pm Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)
Double Tennis Tournament Sign-ups
Begin ordering May Graduation Announcements at the Campus
Shop.

www.shop.jostens.com
Birthdays: Chryslin Clayville, Heather Ewing, David Harold, Lillian
White, Aaron Adams, Chuck Lucas

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

6:00 pm Rees Series (Iles)
7:45 pm Rees Series (Iles)
Honors Music Workshops (IB-21)
Birthdays: Maryann Bostrum, Derek Boyce, Nate Couette, Laura
Flanagan, Shaun Iram, William Nichols, Jeremy Smith, Lisa Diller,
Ruth Saunders

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19

11:00 am Convocation - Doug Berkley: Kairos (Church)
6:00 pm Rees Series (Iles)
7:45 pm Rees Series (Iles)
SA General Elections (Vote online at theplace.southern.edu,
dining hall, residence halls, or Student Center)
Birthdays: Stephanie Eberly, Gayle Erich, Kelly Handal, Jacob

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Student has worst date

JOE DREW
GUEST COLUMNIST

With this romantic time of year upon us, I take a moment to look back on the past loves of my life. Unfortunately, it's not a very long look, for those "loves" have been few and far between.

Even so, I do with particular fondness remember the first girl I had a crush on in high school. Her name was Tasha. It was my sophomore year, and she was beautiful. Then, after three years of relentlessly pursuing her, she finally gave in and went out with me. (Moral here? Don't give up, folks!)

Thus the scene was set for our first date, and it had planned to a "T." We would drive up to the mountains and have dinner at a small Italian kitchen (great place to eat if you're ever in Estes Park, Colorado), then we would head into Rocky Mountain National Park to watch the sunset. (Yeah, I used to be a very happy, romantic guy. Used to be.)

So after weeks of planning (it takes that long to get some alone time when you attend a boarding academy) we headed out for our long-anticipated date. This date was going to be perfect, and it had an added bonus: my love interest had just purchased a new six-speed Mitsubishi Eclipse, and she was

going to let me drive (it was much nicer than my beat up '83 Nissan pickup)! The date came, the drive was fun, the conversation was intriguing—so far, it was the perfect date.

After a stupendous meal we headed into the national park for a viewing of the sunset. It was beautiful fall evening. The sun slowly sank into the snowy peaks as elk grazed in the grassy valley below. What a night—

Casanova himself would have been jealous of this enchanted evening.

After the last of the sun's warming rays had sunk into the horizon, we started back to the car. Being the gentleman that I am, I opened my date's door and then walked around, jumped in the car and started it up. It had been a magical evening, and we sat silently in the car, I gazed over into her eyes. As soon as my gaze met hers, I knew that the moment was right, so I leaned in for the kiss. My heart pounded with anticipation, but then, just as our lips were about to meet, my feet slipped off the clutch and the car lurched violently forward, sending my forehead directly into my date's nose.

She drew back and squealed, "Oh, Joe! You broke my nose!"

I had done it, all night—I broke her nose. My enchanted night had turned into a nightmare. I wanted to crawl in a hole and die. It was very long drive back to campus, and we mostly sat in silence.

If you're wondering how this magical fairy tale ended up, she married some guy a few years later and I haven't really seen her since, but I will always remember that special time we had...just before I went WWF on her face!

Editors note: Joe Drew is still single. Big surprise.

The Romans and Valentine's Day

KAMA BAUGHER
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

According to legend, long before St. Valentine was martyred, the ancient Romans had their lovers' holiday on February 14. They had a huge party to celebrate their goddess Juno—a hot chick who was the Queen of all the gods and in charge of women, marriage, and child-bearing.

Supposedly, a few days before February 14 in the good old days

of Rome, the townspeople figured out who all the eligible single girls were. Then they wrote out all of the appropriate names on slips of paper and poked the papers into a jar. During Juno's huge February 14 party, the Roman guys had a sort of lottery—they pulled a young woman's name from the jar and then hung out with her all year long. The couple would go to parties, banquets, dances, and races together. Sometimes the couple fell in love and got married.

History repeats itself. Here at Southern Adventist University, we have an online version of the ancient Roman paper-in-a-jar: the Jokers! Of course, this is more updated and modern. Apparently the Romans only only categorized the girls as "single" and "married." In the Jokers, the girls are the guys are both categorized, and their social status varies from "single" to "dating" to "desperate" to "not interested." In Rome, only the guys could draw names from the jar. There was no jar full of guys names for the girls to pick from. Here in our equal-opportunity modern era, however, girls as well as guys can look up the crushes on the Jokers to see if they are available, or even better, "desperate." Then comes the hard part: Roman guys were just given a girl for a sweetheart. But we SAU students must pursue and win the hearts of our crushes.

Yes, times have changed, but still somehow things remain the same. Just as the Roman couples would sometimes fall in love and get married, many Southern (Matrimonial) College student couples will fall in love and get married.

Much thanks to abenewton and humormatters.com for the info on how Valentine's Day began in the good old days.

The absolute idiocy of Valentine's

BECKY WHETMORE
ASSISTANT HUMOR EDITOR

As you all may have realized, Valentine's Day will soon be upon us. Wait, who are we kidding? Of course you've realized this fact. How could anyone in America not realize this fact? We've been exposed to it for months now. Christmas was barely over when stores began stocking their shelves with an overabundance of chocolates, lovey-dovey cards, candies, stuffed animals, and various other traditional Valentine's Day goodies. Now, I may be a big fan of chocolate, but I have to question the basis of this holiday of love.

After much thought, I've come to a conclusion: Valentine's Day is actually based on pain, insanity, and cruelty. There's something terribly disturbing about the reality of cupid. This innocent-looking angelic being is actually quite a demon. His sole aim is to stalk around shooting arrows at innocent victims, causing them to lose common sense while in the

emotional throes of "love." I don't know about you, but I personally feel that it hurts to be shot with an arrow, love or any other kind. And yes, I've heard it said that the arrows aren't actually sharp or painful, but if the arrows aren't sharp, how do they prick the victims and spread the insidious enchantment to them? At any rate, we have somehow made it possible for the image of a scantily-clad, incredibly obese, weapon-carrying, sadistically twisted cherub to be associated with what should be a beautiful and wonderful emotion—love. Anyone scared yet?

Now let's take a look at the incredibly over-commercialized (like all holidays) properties of Valentine's Day. This is one of the largest money-making times of the year for all those companies who make those cute little stuffed whatever and that astonishingly vast array of goodies. For instance, have you ever noticed that the price of a bag of fun-size Butterfingers skyrocketed at this time of year? This is not because the Butterfingers are

suddenly made with different ingredients. Oh no, the only reason for the excessive price-jump is that these Butterfingers are wrapped in foil that has hearts on it. That's right, only the wrapping is different, and only in that someone printed little hearts on it. But we still spend the extra amounts for that "special someone" we "love." The brain-washing in our society is so bad that I know people who are putting off paying their rent and utilities bills in order to afford the necessary extravagance purchases for someone with whom they don't plan to have much of a future. But this idiocy is not only limited to couples, oh no. I also know

single individuals who plan on going out in order to buy themselves a present...or two...or three...you get the idea. Okay, I know you're scared now!

Despite all of this, I had really thought that some people had escaped this insanity. Then, however, my roommate (whom I had thought was a fairly sensible person, beyond such inanities) looked over my shoulder, and immediately shouted out, "I love my boyfriend anyway!!!" I'm assuming that her exclamation was in protest of my writing, and now I realize that the madness has indeed spread to all corners of my (albeit fairly small) world. Ah well, the idiocy continues.

The ducks attend the S.A. Valentine's Banquet...



by Justin Janetzko

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Police arrest assault suspect

THE JESTER & DON CANTRELL
LARGE

Southern student Joe Haynes, junior business administration major, was arrested for aggravated assault while attending class in Brock Hall Wednesday evening.



Joe Haynes

Janita Herod, Haynes' instructor and eyewitness to the arrest, confirmed he was the student who was escorted from the building by police. Campus Safety Director Eddie Avant confirmed that a student was arrested on charges of aggravated assault, but would not release the name of the student.

After being booked and released on bond, the Accent contacted Haynes in person at his Scenic View Drive home and he declined comment on the charges.

As first reported in the January 30 issue, Campus safety director Avant was nearly struck by a vehicle that sped off after missing him. At the time, Avant described the vehicle as a black Volkswagen.

When contacted by Accent reporters at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday night, Haynes was seen driving a black Volkswagen Jetta. He would not comment on any aspect of the investigation.

Earlier Wednesday, a judge who was reviewing information about the case issued a warrant for the student's arrest, Avant said.

"Apparently there was enough information for the affidavit for the judge to issue a warrant for his arrest," said Sergeant Randy Herod, one of two arresting Collegedale police officers.

Students were eyewitness to the arrest, which took place on the first floor of Brock Hall outside classroom 103 where the "Meet the Firms" class was in progress.

Haynes got up and left class around 8:00 p.m., then re-entered the classroom a few

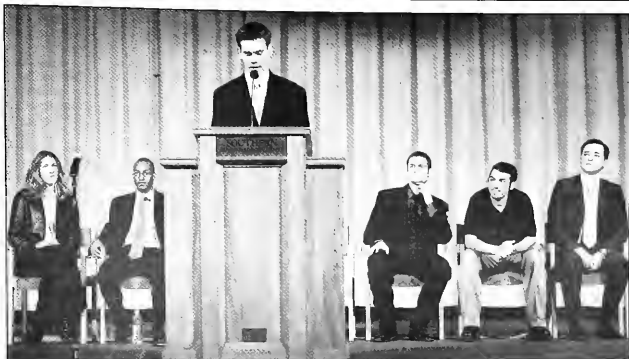


Photo by Jacqui Seely

SA Executive Vice President candidate Alan Orrison delivers his speech Thursday at convocation in Hiles gymnasium.

Polls open for today's elections

DON CANTRELL

News Editor

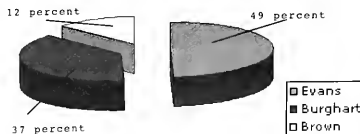
Internet voting in SA elections began today one minute after midnight. Voting stations will open around campus at varying times and at different places around campus.

Last week's primary election narrowed the Social Vice candidates down to two. Alex Brown was eliminated, leaving Justin Evans and John Burghart as the remaining two candidates who will advance to the General Election on Thursday.

A total of 324 votes were cast at the polls last week. Evans received 158 votes, for a total of 49 percent. 121 votes were cast for Burghart, giving him 37 percent. Brown got 40 votes for 12 percent.

Southern's electoral process allows only two candidates per position to advance to the General Election to avoid splitting the vote to a small per-

SA Social Vice President Primary results



Data compiled by Don Cantrell
Graph designed by Bryan Lee

centage. This year, Social Vice President was the only position for which more than two candidates were running.

The 2002-2003 General Election saw numerous improvements, such as online voting terminals in the cafe and student center, that produced a record turnout. Last year's improvements will again be implemented to ensure all stu-

dents have readily available access to the polls.

At the residence halls, stations are open from 7:00 p.m.-10:30 p.m. Voting in the cafe will be from 12:00 p.m.-1:15 p.m. and from 5:00 p.m.-6:15 p.m. Vote online at theplace.southern.edu. Polls are officially open from 12:01 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

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If you think education is expensive, try ignorance!
-Unknown

San Francisco grants same-sex marriages

Mayor, Gavin Newsom, permits violation of California law

DON CANTRELL
NEWS EDITOR

Homosexual couples are traveling from all over the country to take advantage of San Francisco's defiance of state law.

To date, over 2,700 marriage licenses have been granted to same-sex couples by order of Mayor Gavin Newsom, and the city shows no sign of stopping.

Newsom claims that California's equal protection clause justifies his decision.

"Today a barrier to true justice has been removed," said

Newsom in a statement released after he ordered city clerks to accept marriage license applications from gay couples.

Opponents of Newsom's decision point to Proposition 22, a law passed in 2000 by a large majority of voters which specifically forbids same-sex marriages in California.

"What the mayor and his cronies have attempted to do is short circuit the legal process by being both judge and jury themselves," said Alliance Defense Fund attorney Benjamin Bull.

Earlier this week, two

California judges refused to immediately send the issue to the state supreme court, despite statements from Governor Schwarzenegger and President Bush which condemn the Mayor's actions.

"California's spoke on the issue of same-sex marriage when they overwhelmingly approved California's law that defines marriage as being between a man and a woman," Schwarzenegger's statement said. "I support that law and encourage San Francisco officials to obey that law." The courts seek quickly to resolve this matter."

Kerry squeezes past Edwards in Wisconsin

DON CANTRELL
NEWS EDITOR

John Kerry got one step closer to the Democratic nomination on Tuesday as he edged out North Carolina Senator John Edwards for yet another victory in Wisconsin.

Kerry, picked up 40 percent of the vote, improving his primary election win

However, the real story of the night was not Kerry's victory, but Edwards' second place finish. In the midst of the Massachusetts Senator's win streak, that seems to set him up as the obvious choice for Democratic nominee, Edwards and Kerry were in a dead heat for most of the night. With all the votes counted, Kerry won in

Wisconsin by a mere 6 percent.

"This enormous surge in the last few days has been surprising everybody... this is an amazing response," Edwards told "Fox News" as the Wisconsin votes were still being counted. "I'm fighting my heart out... I'm in this fight to win and I'm gonna go after it in every way I know how."

The close finish in Wisconsin shows that not all Democrats are united on a future nominee as yet-good news for the Edwards camp.

Placing a distant third place was Howard Dean, who captured 18 percent of the vote. Dean announced

Wednesday that he would no longer be actively campaigning.

The real litmus test for both of the remaining serious candidates will be "Super Tuesday," March 2. With Massachusetts, New York, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, California, Georgia, Ohio, Minnesota and Maryland all holding their primaries, over half of the 2,161 delegate votes needed to select a nominee will be up for grabs.

Pastoral care major available

SARA BANDEL
STAFF WRITER

A new alternative for students at Southern is the pastoral care major being offered this coming semester.

"For the first time they [School of Religion students] will have an option," said Ron Clouzet, dean of the School of Religion.

The pastoral care major will focus on those who wish to be chaplains in the military, hospitals or prisons. The major will give students a taste of what it is like to be a chaplain.

Over the years the position of chaplain has evolved from volunteer pastors "to well-trained specialists in pastoral care," according to the Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries directory. The major will consist of 89 credit hours, one more hour than the current theology major.

The religion department doesn't want students to choose pastoral care as a major simply because "it is easier than the theology major," Clouzet said. In addition to theology classes, the new major will require classes

such as Developmental Psychology and Fundamentals of Counseling.

"Chaplains do a lot of counseling," said Duane Schoonard, the pastoral director of spiritual maturity at College-Gate Seventh-day Adventist Church.

During the summer, there will be a Clinical Pastoral Education internship to further enhance the learning experience. The School of Religion and Erlanger Medical Center will be working together. Students will work as chaplains for Erlanger for a certain amount of time during the summer. Among other issues, students are taught how to help others deal with death as well as family members after the death.

Chaplains are required to deal with "high stress, high crisis situations," Schoonard said.

Although this is a new major, no new classes or teachers will be added to Southern. In addition to the new major, there will be a new minor. The Youth Ministry minor will be added this coming fall, by popular request.

Pysche majors measure sweat

SALEISHA WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Southern's School of Education & Psychology is keeping stride with the latest technology by investing over \$7,500 in biofeedback equipment.

The equipment consists of the Galvanic Skin Resistance instrument, blood pressure and pulse instruments, a new Resperate instrument, a new EMG hand-held scanner, and computerized programming with eight leads, including EMG, EEG, heart rate, respiration and EDG.

The equipment will be used mainly for researching relaxation techniques, galvanic responses, blood pressure exercises, headache control and anxiety control.

"Biofeedback is nothing more than an instrument that will tell you something about your body that you don't know without some assistance," said Bonnie Mattheus, an adjunct developmental psychology professor and tingleader for the biofeedback equipment.

Psychology undergrads and

graduate students will be strongly encouraged to use these instruments for research projects, according to Alberto Dos Santos, dean of the School of Education and Psychology.

The biofeedback equipment will first be used to help hypertensive people. Respiration is one vital sign that humans can control. By controlling his or her breathing, a client can learn to relax and to permit normal circulation to be restored to the various body parts.

For example, as the body relaxes, the blood flows to the hands more easily and activates the sweat glands of the hands. The GSR2 interprets the moisture, creates a circuit and then converts the electrical circuit into an audible tone so that clients can tell when they are relaxing and doing it correctly. Later, the client's relaxation can be reconfirmed through retaking his or her blood pressure and evaluating its change, according to Mattheus.

"It's a good idea; it'll help us learn how the mind works more," said Mia Pandit, freshman psychology major.

Pavlov, an early psychologist, demonstrated that unconscious bodily processes could be brought under cognitive control with conditioning. This fact perked psychologists' curiosity and they became more aware of the power of the brain over the function of the body.

Mattheus said, "In attempting to teach humans how to take better care of their bodies and enjoy better health, psychologists, nurses and others teach using biofeedback. The potential for applications are mind boggling."

Mother of the Year



Photo by Rachel Love
L to R: Michelle Chren, Tami Kellie, and Jennifer Carter at the Mother Daughter Brunch Society

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Keyes and Gulley to retire in spring

AMBERLEA SMITH
Staff Writer

Dr. Leona Gulley and Dr. John Keyes plan to retire at the end of this semester.

Dr. Gulley, psychology counseling coordinator of psychology graduate programs, has been at Southern for 26 years.

Gulley says she has enjoyed her time at Southern. Southern is a great place to work. The professors are great to work with and the students are wonderful," she said. Gulley made her decision to retire at the beginning of this school year.

In retirement Gulley says she will concentrate on her counseling practice at the Marion Behavioral Health Center, help her husband with his research and spend time with grandchildren.

When Dr. Gulley first came to Southern she worked as a professor of nursing for 16 years. For the past 10 years she has worked in the School of Education and Psychology.

Dr. Gulley's husband, Dr. Norman Gulley, retired from Southern after serving as a professor of religion for 21 years. He is still connected with the university as a research professor. His latest project involves writing books on systematic theology. He has completed the first book in a series of three.

Haynes

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minutes later, said classmate Tai Prentley. He then exited the classroom again and David Hitchens, Campus Safety officer, entered and retrieved Haynes belongings.

"He was escorted out of Book Hall in handcuffs," said Prentley, "but he was walking on his own accord."

Accent readers may remember Haynes from last year. In April 2003, Haynes plagiarized an opinion column by copying information from an article written in a web-blog by local author Cherie Priest that appeared in the April 4 issue of *The Southern Accent*. After repeatedly denying anything to do with the article, Haynes stepped forward and published a quarter page apology in the April 25 issue.

Dr. Keyes, a professor of communication, has been at the university for 16 years. He says that he will retire at the end of this semester to make way for someone younger.

"Southern is a great place to work. The friendly students, faculty, and neighbors and even the weather make this a great place to live and work," said Keyes.



Photo by Melita Pajic
Dr. Leona Gulley



Photo by Melita Pajic
Dr. John Keyes

Gibson's "Passion" set for release

DON CANTRÉLL
News Editor

Superstar actor and director Mel Gibson's newest film, *"The Passion of the Christ"* is set for release in select theaters next Wednesday.

The film depicts the last twelve hours of Jesus' life and features Jim Caviezel, who starred in *"The Count of Monte Cristo"* and *"Frequency,"* as Christ.

Gibson, who personally wrote, directed and financed the film with \$25 million, has taken flak from several different groups and organizations since he started work on the film. Among the loudest opponents are Jewish groups, who claim are Jewish groups of Christ's Gibson's depiction of Christ's death is anti-Semitic—a charge those involved with the film say is unfair. "The gal that plays Mary [actress Maia

strict, there are several reasons why it is in place. "The cost of the DVDs and that they can be easily damaged by scratches are both major factors," said Kristy Rodrigue, media center student worker.

Many video and DVD programs cost much more than books do, sometimes costing as much as \$280 for one tape.

Cheap and expensive books are easy to tell apart on the shelf, but that is not always true for VHS tapes and DVDs," Di Memmo explained.

Di Memmo said that the possibility of marking DVDs with their prices and making them available for check-out has been considered. That way students would know how much they could be paying the library if a DVD gets damaged.

"It would be nice to say, 'Go ahead, check them out. If it gets damaged, we'll buy another one,'" Di Memmo said.

Southern is not the only school with the current policy, Di Memmo said. Lee

University students cannot even browse DVDs on the shelves. They have to look through a title log to choose a movie, which can only be viewed in the library. DVDs in the McKee Library are kept in the media center office because they are unable to work with tracking devices attached to them, but students are encouraged to come in and browse.

"Students are welcome to come browse any time at all. If the office is closed, the people at the front desk can open it for you and get you what you need," Di Memmo said.

The media center provides seven VCR-equipped televisions and one DVD-equipped television with headphones for viewing, which are checked out with a valid Southern ID card. The media resource center is planning to acquire another DVD player and flat screen television within a year Di Memmo said.



Photo by Jacqui Seckley

McKee Library offers more than 200 educational DVDs for students to view, not rent.

DVDs for McKee Library

JODI HEROD

Over two hundred DVD titles are now available at the Media Resource Center, located on the second floor of McKee Library. The center offers many academic resources for teachers and students, as well as titles for entertainment. Audio resources are also available.

Many students are unaware that movies are offered at the center. Those who are aware often wonder why students are not allowed to check anything out. Faculty and staff can check out titles, but DVDs and VHS tapes used by students must be viewed on one of the seven televisions provided by the library. "Students can check out a tape or DVD under an instructor's name for uses such as class presentations, but that instructor is held responsible in the event of a loss," said Frank Di Memmo, media center director.

While this policy may seem

Morgenstern] is Jewish and her parents were in the Holocaust. Talk to her," Caviezel told the New York Post. "There are Romanian and Jewish actors in this film who say unequivocally that this film is not anti-Semitic."

In an interview with the Associated Press, Morgenstern said "Mel Gibson is an artist, a director. He never imposed his religious convictions on any-

one." Among those looking forward to the film's release is First Lady Laura Bush.

"I think it sounds very interesting and I'd like to see it," the first lady told Washington Post reporters while visiting a high school in Bentonville, Arkansas.

For more information on *"The Passion of the Christ,"* refer to Gio Marin's article on page 7.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

Authors, actors, and a little Shakespeare

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For those of you looking for something, anything, to break up the monotony of term papers and midterm exams, Chattanooga is chalk full of options. On Tuesday, Feb. 24, Memorial Auditorium will be hosting a performance of the classic musical "Kiss Me, Kate." The lively score includes such witty numbers as "Too Darn Hot," "Brush Up Your Shakespeare," "Always True to You (in My Fashion)," and "Another Opening, Another Show."

The story centers on Fred Graham, an egotistical producer who never fails to cast himself as the star of the show. His latest production is an extravagant musical based loosely on Shakespeare's "Taming of the Shrew."

But things begin to get a little complicated when his ex-wife Lilli shows up to co-star. Lilli's fiancé, a gold-digging starlet and a couple of gangsters add to the hilarity. This is one show you do not want to miss.

The performance begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$39.50 to \$31.50, and can be purchased over the phone. For more information, call: 423-642-TIXS.

If "Kiss Me, Kate," seems a bit

too pricey, there's another option. The Chattanooga High School's Center for the Creative Arts will be performing the rock-and-roll hit "Bye, Bye Birdie" on the very same night.

The plot revolves around Conrad Birdie, an Elvis-like heartthrob, and his long-suffering agent Albert Peterson. Deep in debt after tirelessly promoting Birdie's career, it seems Albert's hard work is about to pay off as Birdie becomes a national superstar. Then tragedy strikes—Birdie is drafted.

Meanwhile, Rosie, Albert's secretary and fiancée, grows tired of the fast-paced music world and calls it quits. What follows is Albert's comical attempt to ride in the cash and win back the girl he loves.

The show begins at 8:00 p.m. All seats are reserved at \$13.00 and \$8.00. Tickets are on sale now and can also be purchased through the Memorial Auditorium box office: 423-642-TIXS.

On Wednesday, Feb. 25, Maya Angelou will be speaking at Memorial Auditorium. Angelou is a world-renowned poet, educator, civil rights activist and best-selling author. Her autobiography, "I Know Why the Caged Birds Sing," is a must-read in most high schools. Angelou, an eloquent speaker, will be sharing

her legendary wisdom and discussing her current best-seller, "A Song Flung Up to Heaven."

Angelou will begin her lecture at 7:00 p.m. Student tickets are \$15 (the price increases to \$20 if purchased the day of), and can also be purchased through the Memorial Auditorium box office.

For more information on live theater in the area, check out "The Connection," a news-letter compiled by SAU's English club and posted on bulletin boards around campus.

The Katinas come to Cleveland

EVELYN HILLMON
Guest Columnist

The award-winning Christian pop group, The Katinas, will headline a benefit concert for the Cleveland Boys and Girls Club on Feb. 21st at 7:00 p.m. at the Mount Olive Church of God.

These five Samoan brothers have been singing together all their lives. Sam, Joe, Jesse, John and James together create a sleek Christian hip-hop sound.

In 2002, the Katinas were nominated for a Dove Award for their album "Lifestyle: A Worship Experience." Later this year they will be performing for the 34th Annual Dove Awards.

The Katinas currently have

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Photo by Jacquelin Selby

L to R: Freshman Tonya Coburn on Shakeyvo, and sophomore Aimee Tucker on Mystique ride Friday afternoon on Industrial Drive. They got permission from Campus Safety to ride on Southern's property, although they are not wearing helmets.

four albums; the most recent is "Roots," released last year. They have co-produced albums with Bryan Lenox (Michael W. Smith), Kene "Ghost" Bell (tohyMac), Pete Kiple (Mercy Me) and Robert "Aurlem" Marvin (Stacie Orrico).

Local recording artists DeMar, Anger Management and Mike Williams will also be performing at the concert in Cleveland. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for students with

a current ID. For ticket information call 472-7413 or go to www.gravelrd.com. All proceeds will go to benefit the local Boys and Girls Club.

Pathway Bookstore, 25th Street Cleveland, TN will be hosting a CD signing Feb. 21 from noon until 1:00 p.m. The concert will be at Mount Olive Church of God, 3522 Harris Pike, Cleveland, TN 37314.

Not really the 'Top of the Mountain'

NATHALIE MAZO
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

As a student attending Southern, it is a rare moment that I get to go to a five-star restaurant here in town. Lucky for me, it was Valentine's Day and I was allowed to choose any restaurant at which I wanted to eat. The family-owned restaurant Top of the Mountain, my choice for the night, is supposed to be one of Chattanooga's top restaurants featuring home-cooked Southern food.

To me, going to a five-star restaurant means that I am going to have the best of the best and experience something really unique. To my dismay, it was not the positive unique experience I was expecting.

First and foremost, the park-

ing was terrible. There was not one single parking space available for about 10 minutes. Secondly, the service was just not up to par with what I had expected. I would not let them some slack because it was a busy night, but to get the appetizer and the bread that is supposed to be eaten at the beginning of the dinner with the actual main course is just unpleasant. Also, by the time the food came, so much water or soda had been consumed, that just was not that hungry any more.

And of course, it was just my luck that something wrong with what I ordered, so I had to re-order my dinner. Not only did it take about 30 or 40 minutes to get my food the first time, but it felt like it took the same amount of time to get the

other food I had requested. Never have I ever had to wait so long to re-order my food in any restaurant.

On one plus side, I ordered their Pasta Jennifer, which is a fettuccine alfredo that was just about the best fettuccine alfredo I have ever had. The only reason that I would go back there is for that specific item on the menu (but that probably will not be until next year).

Overall, the food was good, but the service was not. I would not recommend this restaurant for anyone who is looking to spend a few bucks on a fancy dinner because if it were anything like it was on Saturday night, it will feel like you have spent a lifetime waiting for your food.

Weddings & Engagements



YOUNG-COWING

Brian Young and Rachel Cowing are thrilled to announce their engagement. Brian is a senior film major and Rachel is a junior psychology major. They will be wed June 20, 2004 in Calhoun, GA.

Political Party Platforms

JUSTIN KOBYLKA

COLUMN EDITOR

This November, America will pick a new president. Here at The Southern Accent, we are quite interested in who will lead our nation during the next four years. During the next few weeks the editorial/opinion sec-

tion of the paper will feature information about the political parties and candidates and also will have opinion pieces on the political candidates and their platforms.

This week I have put together a collection of sources that will help you, our reader, understand the policies

and ideologies of the two predominant political parties. Look these both over to see which position fits your idea of how our nation should be governed.

The following quotations are representative of the Republican and Democratic political parties in words from each party's own political website.

Republican Party

Abortion:

We say the unborn child has a fundamental right to life. We support a human life amendment to the Constitution and we endorse legislation that the 14th Amendment's protections apply to unborn children. We support the appointment of judges who respect the sanctity of innocent human life.

Gay Rights:

We support the traditional definition of marriage as the legal union of one man and one woman, and we believe that federal judges and bureaucrats should not force states to recognize other living arrangements as marriages. We do not believe sexual preference should be given special legal protection or standing in law.

Crime & Death Penalty:

Within proper federal jurisdiction, the Republican Congress has enacted legislation for an effective deterrent death penalty.

Education:

The role of the federal government must be limited. We return control to parents, teachers, and school boards. We defend the option for home schooling and call for enforcement of laws to protect family privacy. We will work for the return of voluntary school prayer.

Environment:

Economic prosperity and environmental protection must advance together. Environmental regulations must be based on science.

Gun Control:

We defend the constitutional right to bear arms. We oppose federal licensing of law-abiding gun owners. National gun registration as a violation of the Second Amendment and an invasion of privacy of non-citizens.

Middle East Policy:

We have four priorities for the Middle East.

We seek to promote and maintain peace throughout the region.

We must ensure that Israel remains safe and secure.

We must protect our economic interests and ensure the reliable flow of oil from the Persian Gulf.

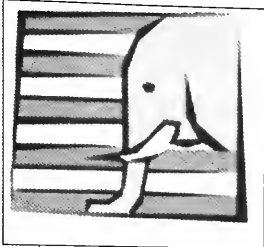
We must reduce the threat of weapons of mass destruction in the region.

U.S. foreign Policy

U.S. policy must rest on leadership that can build strong coalitions of like-minded states and hold them together to achieve common aims.

Taxes:

Budget surpluses are the result of over-taxation of American people. The weak link in the chain of prosperity is the tax system. It not only burdens the American people; it threatens to slow, and perhaps to reverse, the economic expansion. We therefore enthusiastically endorse the principles of Governor Bush's tax cut.



It is your social responsibility to be informed. Don't take your freedom for granted. Learn where you stand and then do something about it.



Democratic Party

Abortion:

We say that every woman has the right to choose, consistent with Roe v. Wade, and regardless of ability to pay. It is a constitutional liberty that individual Americans - not government - can best take responsibility for making the most difficult and intensely personal decisions regarding reproduction.

Gay Rights:

We continue to lead the fight to end discrimination based on one's sexual orientation. Gay couples have a right to the same governmental privileges and opportunities that heterosexual couples have available to them.

Crime & Death Penalty:

Democrats support an advancing strategy for crime. This includes the death penalty.

Education:

The role of government should be expanded in creating new schools for the children of America: public schools that compete with one another and are held accountable for results. Students should shy away from private education and support the public school educational route. We do not espouse the use of private school vouchers. We believe that there should be no voluntary prayer in school.

Environment:

We support clean, safe, reliable, affordable electricity for your home. We also support legislation that will lessen smog and irritants to the environment and decrease the effects of Global Warming.

Gun Control:

Democrats support keeping guns away from those who shouldn't have them. With laws like the Brady Bill, anyone who buys a gun will have to undergo a rigorous background check.

Middle East Policy:

The Democrats support peace in the Middle East by fully integrating them into the global economy. In the Middle East, we are promoting regional trade, particularly among Israel, Jordan, and Egypt.

U.S. Foreign Policy:

Foreign policy is not addressed in the latest Democratic Platform.

Taxes:

Democrats seek tax relief by raising taxes for those who make the most money and lowering taxes targeted to help those who need them the most.

Bridging the Digital Divide

Democrats believe that every American - regardless of income, geography, race, or disability - should be able to reach across a computer keyboard, and reach the vast new worlds of knowledge, commerce, and communication that are available at the touch of a fingertip.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT RELIGION

Where Has Reverence Gone?

NATALIE ISSA
Guest Contributor

Recently this year, due to several programs and the general atmosphere frequently created in the church and sanctuary, I have been prompted to research the meaning of worship and reverence to God as portrayed in the Bible and in the writings of Ellen White. The topic of worship is much too broad to address in a single article or one column, but I will do my best to give a small glimpse into the topic and what God has said about it. Because my belief is that we as God's people are to live our lives by His words only and those of His prophets, this paper is written based on only these sources.

The Hebrew word translated as "worship" is also translated in the following ways in the Bible: to bow down, bow, bow down, bowed, bowed down, bowing, bowing down, bows down, did homage, homage, lie down, paid homage, prostrate, prostrated, prostrating, way, weighs down, worship, worshiped, worshipping, worships (NAS Hebrew).

Most usages of the word include the word "serve" close by. This implies an acknowledgment of a master and a servant. Whether it's the story of Genesis 4 (Cain and Abel), Luke 18:9-14 (two went to pray) or Revelation 4:10-11 (the elders bowed down and worshiped), the picture is clear: false worship involves a focus on anything or anyone other than God, including our own works and desires; true worship of God is singularly acknowledging Him as our Master and recognizing that we are His servants.

As part of the confusion, the words "praise" and "worship" are often used interchangeably when in fact they are quite different. I

can be completely comfortable praising a companion for a good game or performance. I can offer praise to a child for carrying out his duties. I can praise my friend or teacher for a variety of reasons. I can also praise God for all He does for me. Yet I can (only worship) God. I cannot worship a companion, a child, a friend or teacher.

Praising God CAN take many forms of expressions, yet not all are suitable or acceptable in a sanctuary service. Worship is a state of understanding the fact that God is our Supreme Ruler and Lord. As such, He has provided instructions on how we are to approach Him and acknowledge His lordship over us.

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When God was setting up the sanctuary service with Moses, He was very specific in even the minutest details of the temple appointments, dress of the priests and what type of behavior was expected from the priests and people. The sanctuary on earth was a copy of the one in heaven, and everything that took place in the earthly had to mirror what took place in the heavenly. Today the sanctuary of God is both in our hearts and in our churches. The sanctuary of the church is where God comes to meet us every Sabbath and it has been dedicated to Him. God is very clear about what our attitudes should be when in the sanctuary. In Leviticus 26:2 God says, "You shall keep My

Sabbaths and reverence my sanctuary; I am the Lord."

David speaking to the Lord in Psalm 5:7 says, "But as for me, by Your abundant lovingkindness I will enter Your house, at Your holy temple I will bow in reverence for You."

Is not David called a man after God's own heart? Isaiah 56:7 states, "For My house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples." The psalmist declares in Psalm 89:7, "God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all them that are about him." David also writes in Psalm 2:11, "Worship the Lord with reverence and rejoice with trembling." And again in Psalm 95:6, "Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker."

How is the worship of God conducted in the very presence of God in heaven? John reveals what he saw in vision in Revelation 19:4: "And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God who sits on the throne saying, 'Amen. Hallelujah!'"

Ellen White has some almost shocking things to say about the worship of God and reverence for Him and His sanctuary. "Our present habits and customs, which dishonor God and bring the sacred and heavenly down to the level of the common, are against us. We have a sacred, testing, sanctifying truth; and if our habits and practices are not in accordance with the truth, we are sinners against great light, and are proportionately guilty. It will be far more tolerable for the heathen in the day of God's retributive justice than for us" (5 Testimonies, p. 494). Strong words!

Following are several quotes that I found to be fascinating and

awe inspiring at the same time. I will let you draw your own conclusions as you read these words from the Inspired Pen.

"Respect for the house of God and reverence for His worship are lessened in the minds of the youth. The barriers of self-restraint are weakened. Selfishness, appetite, the love of display, are appealed to, and they strengthen as they are indulged" (9 Testimonies, p. 91).

"Professed Christians engage in feasts and io scenes of amusement which degrade the religion of Jesus Christ. It is impossible for those who find pleasure in church socials, festivals, and numerous gatherings for pleasure, to have ardent love and sacred reverence for Jesus" (Confrontation, p. 64).

"Our present habits and customs, which dishonor God and bring the sacred and heavenly down to the level of the common, are against us."

"From the sacredness which was attached to the earthly sanctuary, Christians may learn how they should regard the place where the Lord meets with His people. There has been a great change, not for the better, but for the worse, in the habits and customs of the people in reference to religious worship. The precious, the sacred things which connect us with God are fast losing their hold upon our minds and hearts and are being brought down to the level of the common things. The reverence which the people had anciently for the sanctuary, where they met with God in sacred service, has largely passed away. Nevertheless God Himself gave the order of His service, exalting it high above everything of a temporal nature" (Child Guidance, p. 540).

"Humility and reverence should characterize the deportment of all who come into the presence of God. In the name of Jesus we may come before Him with confidence, but we must not approach Him with the boldness of presumption, as though He were on a level with ourselves. There are those who address the great and all-powerful and holy God, who dwelleth in light unap-

proachable, as they would address an equal, or even an inferior. There are those who conduct themselves in His house as they would not presume to do in the audience chamber of an earthly ruler. These should remember that they are in His sight whom seraphim adore before whom angels veil their faces. God is greatly to be revered; all who truly realize His presence will bow in humility before Him, and, like Jacob, beholding the vision of God, they will cry out, 'How dreadful is this place! This is none other but the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven' (Patriarchs and Prophets, p. 252).

In marked contrast to all this was the life of Jesus. In that no noisy disposition, no ostentatious worship, no act to gain applause, was ever witnessed. Christ was hid in God, and God was revealed in the character of His Son. To this revelation Jesus desired the minds of the people to be directed, and their homage to be given.

The Sun of Righteousness did not burst upon the world in splendor, to dazzle the senses with His glory. It is written of Christ, "His going forth is prepared as the morning." Hosea 6:3. Quietly and gently the dawning light breaks upon the earth, dispelling the shadow of darkness and waking the world to life. So did the Sun of Righteousness arise, "with healing in His wings" (Desire of Ages, p. 261).

Friends, do not let this warning of Job 15:4 be directed toward you: "Indeed, you do away with reverence. And hinder meditation before God." I dare challenge each of you to study what God has to say about worship and reverence. Do not accept the latest trends; read and study for yourself so that when the time comes, you will have the first-hand knowledge you need to defend your stance on issues.

Editor's Note: The topics of worship and reverence are much too expansive to completely cover in one article. After reading the above article, you are encouraged to think about and study through these topics for yourself. Please send your thoughts and comments on the above article and the topics of reverence and worship to seaneed@southern.edu.

Church Schedule

For Sabbath February 21, 2004

Compiled by Sean Reed

Church	Time	Speaker
Chattanooga First Church	9:45 and 11:00	
Collegedale Church	9:00 and 11:30	Ed Wright
Collegedale Community Church	8:30, 10:00, and 11:30	
Collegedale Korean Youth Church	11:00	
Collegedale Spanish-American Church	9:00 - 11:45	
Hamilton Community Church	11:30	Pastor Breske
McDonald Road Church	8:50 and 11:25	
The Third	10:45	Mike Fulbright
Village Chapel	11:10	

To have your church included in the weekly church schedule, e-mail seaneed@southern.edu.

'The Passion': Is this a false Christ?

GEOFF MARIN
JESUS THEOLOGICAL MOVIE

"The Passion of the Christ" is a movie about the last days of our Savior Jesus Christ. "The Passion" tells the story from Christ's night in Gethsemane to the glorious resurrection Sunday morning.

The movie has stirred up some controversy because of its sensitive subject. Many Jews are afraid that its dramatic portrayal of a crucified Jesus will cause the floods of bigotry and anti-Semitism to rise again. Many claim that such a film offers will give people a chance to know the man many love so much. The film will be in theaters later this month (release date is Feb. 25) and already the trailers viewable online do indeed stir up emotions from the deepest regions of the soul. "The Passion" is sure to be a box-office hit despite the controversy surrounding its release. I fear, however, that "The Passion," should we watch it, may plant a seed in our minds, that we do not want in the long run.

I find it obvious, and I hope others do also, that no matter how authentic the film is to the biblical account of the Gospel, it will contain certain assumptions that are either not biblical or simply cinematic fantasy. The theater is a powerful medium and we are all people. We learn mainly by seeing, and what we will see when watching "The Passion" will leave a powerful impression on the mind and any errors will undoubtedly sink deep into our subconscious.

We have been warned by Scripture to avoid seeing false Christs. "Then if anyone says to you, 'Behold, here is the Christ,' or 'here He is,' do not believe him. For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect" (Matthew 24:23,24).

I had thought about seeing the movie about I kept getting an overwhelming impression that this would be no different from rushing out to see a false Christ. The groundwork for deception is progressing. Is this to be one of them? Might this be a form of a false Christ promoting a false gospel?

Is this a false Christ? Has this movie done signs and wonders? There have been claims that it has. Just read the reviews about this movie and there are claims of miracles happening on the set, conversions from Islam to Christianity.

"Everyone who worked on this movie was changed. There were agnostics and Muslims on

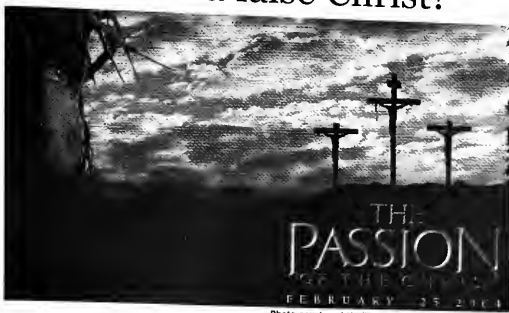


Photo courtesy <http://www.thepassionofthechrist.com>

Mel Gibson's new film, *The Passion of the Christ*, has aroused much controversy. Visit the official website, www.ThePassionoftheChrist.com, for more information.

set converting to Christianity...[and] people being healed of diseases," says Mel Gibson, director and co-writer of "The Passion."

All of this has given the film an aura of majestic influence. Respected radio commentator Paul Harvey commented after attending a private viewing: "This was not simply a movie; it was an encounter, unlike anything I have ever experienced." (to read more of Paul Harvey's comments on this film, visit http://www.worldsoftgod.org/The_Passion_Review.shtml).

And what about this film's

discern the pretext, which cunning men adopt to beguile and ensnare. So much time and attention are bestowed upon the world, upon dress and eating and drinking, that no time is left for prayer and the study of the Scriptures" (Faith and Works, p. 45).

"Popular revivals are often carried by appeals to the imagination, by exciting the emotions, by gratifying the love for what is new and startling. Converts thus gained have little desire to listen to Bible truth, little interest in the testimony of prophets and apostles." (The Great Controversy, p. 463).

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inspiration? Is it only the gospel? It may not just be the Gospel.

According to a recent "Newsweek" article, Gibson may well have drawn from other sources. "To tell his story, Gibson has amalgamated the four Gospel accounts and was reportedly inspired by the visions of two nuns: Mary of Agreda (1602-1665) of Spain and Anne Catherine Emmerich (1774-1824) of France; Emmerich experienced the stigmata on her head, hands, feet and chest—wounds imitating Jesus." "Newsweek" reports.

We ought to listen to the words of a woman inspired by God: "If ever there was a time when we needed faith and spiritual enlightenment, it is now. Those who are watching upon prayer and are searching the Scriptures daily with an earnest desire to know and do the will of God will not be led astray by any of the deceptions of Satan. They alone will

I do not doubt that the interest Gibson's film will create can be used to bring others to Christ. We must be careful, however, that we do not send the wrong message by going to the theater to see this movie. Christ is not to be found in a theater; He is to be found in

Scripture.

Editor's Note: As the above author points out, "The Passion" may not be an exclusively biblical portrayal of the death and resurrection of Jesus. Many have, however, spoken highly of the film after privately viewing it. Lincoln Stead, editor of the Seventh-day Adventist-published "Liberty" magazine, commented quite favorably on the film following his attendance at a private viewing: "Some months ago I was included in a group given an advance screening of the still-unreleased production The Passion of Jesus. The film is extremely true to the biblical narrative, to the point of using Aramaic dialogue with English subtitles. It is powerful to the point of shocking. Most of those with me in the viewing room were sobbing in anguish as the film portrayed the torture and crucifixion of our Lord" (Adventist Review, January 1, 2004).

Look here for a review of "The Passion of the Christ" following its release.

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God provides in mysterious ways

RACHEL BOSTIC
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

On the second Sabbath of every month, the church I attend here in New York City (www.mnyaforum.org/) has a special speaker do a morning and afternoon service. We eat lunch together at the church between the meetings. I've really enjoyed the two that I've gone to so far.

Well, this past Sabbath, I made a sandwich to take with me for lunch between the meetings, as usual. On the subway on the way to church, a young man got on and began speaking to the passengers about his life. He is HIV positive, recently lost his place in a homeless shelter, and had his food and AIDS medication stolen. He had spent the night in an abandoned car the night before.

While he was speaking, I was very impressed to give him my sandwich. I mean, the feeling was so powerful that I had no other choice! I handed him my sandwich and said I would pray for him.

Every other passenger on our car gave him something as well—an apple, a container of yogurt, cookies, etc. I figured I would run to a deli or something during the break between the meetings, like many people in our congregation do, to replace my food.

But when I got there, I found out that one of the women had "accidentally" cooked too much food "the night before" and brought a veritable feast to share with those of us in church.

I wanted to share this story with you because it reminded me that God provides for us before we even know we have a need, and because of that we must share with others whatever we can. God bless you during this week—He's already blessed me quite a bit.

Editors Note: Rachel is a Southern graduate writing from New York City where she and Southern student Kelly Razzack are intern liaisons to the United Nations for the Seventh-Day Adventist Church.



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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT OPINION

Letters to the editor

Thumbs-up Thumbs-down By Justin Kobylka



Thumbs up to those who participated in the SA officers vote

on Thursday. Being a responsible student includes electing qualified SA leadership. It only takes a second, let your student voice be heard.



Thumbs Down to the fact that the mother-daughter banquet was a dorm event.

Community students also enjoy going to these events, and while we do live at home, not all of us get to see our mothers every single day. My mom works out of town and only comes home on the weekends. The cafe holds enough room to accommodate both the dorm students and community students and mothers who wish to come.

-Submitted



Thumbs up to the mother-daughter banquet. It was well done, supremely nice, and the hard work was appreciated. Thanks for getting an awesome speaker as well. submitted



Thumbs down to bugs in the new web-mail system. This new program doesn't quite work as well as the old system, and I've had a couple of people mention losing their work and such. It also has some very nice new features. I don't know if it's going to be modified any more, but maybe the system could be simplified somewhat to make it more user friendly.

Dear Editor:

I believe Mr. Bernardez missed the point of Ashleigh Cohen's speech in his defense of the mustard and pepper ban. While I didn't hear Ashleigh's dream of "racial" unity for condiments (red and yellow, black and white...), from reading about it in the Accent I'm pretty sure she was saying that the cafeteria is hypocritical to ban mustard and pepper while serving food that is mostly unhealthy. I would like someone to tell me, from on top of a cafeteria table or not, why mustard and pepper are banned from the cafe while cheese and Little Debbie's are not. I'd be very amused to hear or read anyone, natural to defend the wholesome, natural goodness of the main dishes served at the cafe - and the more you hear about Ellen White, the less defensible the cafe's position becomes. I believe Ashleigh's point was this: If you are going to hold up some standards, why don't you hold up all of them?

As for Mr. Morse's article about illegal aliens, to say that illegal aliens are trapped in a law is a poor analogy. Illegal immigrants don't belong here, and they shouldn't be paid anything. They are not trapped in a well; they are trespassing on our land and taking our water from it. Mr. Morse's solution is hypocritical and uniformed; he rails on Wal-Mart for violating the law ("enforce a standard minimum wage") while he suggests we ignore it ("Don't worry about who is illegal and who's not"). Does he think that it will be more effective to enforce a minimum wage, or that illegals

will simply give up and go back to their own country? They will just find someone else willing to do something illegal (pay them less than minimum wage) and the problem will continue. Jobs involving manual labor are excellent examples. In Washington State, you will not find one non-immigrant doing manual labor in hop fields or apple orchards, and in Florida, immigrants are building homes with no experience whatsoever. And if a person is willing to cross the border illegally, he or she is probably just as willing to do something else illegal to survive - drug trafficking being just one example.

Mr. Morse's statement that illegal immigration will never be stopped is true. Four years ago, the INS estimated there were 7 million illegal immigrants in the United States

(http://uscis.gov/graphics/share/d/aboutus/statistics/IR_Report_1211.pdf). That's 2.5% of the U.S. population at that time, or the entire population of Virginia. Does that mean the INS should stop trying? The same can be said for wage laws or illegal activity of any kind - should we stop trying to enforce minimum wage or stop trying to control drug trafficking? Making an effort to enforce all the laws, and not just the ones we don't like, is what will help make this country great. "Who cares whether or not they are illegal?" I do.

Derick Anderson, senior computer systems administration major

Dear Editor,

As usual, I was late for work as I ran from the dorm to my car. Despite my hurry, black markings on my Bush-Cheney bumper sticker caught my eye. Looking more closely, I noticed that someone had taken the liberty to edit my bumper sticker, using a black marker to write "Kerry" over "Bush." Being politically conservative, I have often wanted to take a marker or a razor blade to those "No W" or "Al Gore" bumper stickers. However, realizing that I live in the United States of America and that anyone living here has the First Amendment right to freedom of speech, I believe that everyone is entitled to his or her opinions. I also

know that taking a marker to a bumper sticker, as insignificant as it maybe, is still destruction of property.

This defacing of my bumper sticker to promote Senator Kerry is actually quite a contradiction. Although I strongly disagree with most of his politics, it turns out that Sen. Kerry is quite a strong advocate of free speech. I doubt that he would approve of the defacing of my bumper sticker. In April of last year, the Massachusetts Senator said, "I fought for and earned the right to express my views in this country." This is not the only instance in which Sen. Kerry has spoken out for the constitutional right to freedom of speech. Following a

Dear Editor,

Yes, it's true I do have a dream. And immature and ridiculous as it may seem, I'm really trying to address a key issue that so many seem to want to ignore here at the school and in Advertisment in general.

Many people opposed to my fight for mustard and pepper take the side of faculty in that the reasons for the absence of such condiments are because of health standards dating back to the times of Ellen G. White. But anyone can walk into the cafeteria and find a freezer full of ice cream, cases of Little Debbie's, sugary sodas and hot foods that are smothered in cheese, batter fried and soaked in oils. Yet for some reason we (the vegetarians) tend to think that being a vegetarian is fulfilling the "health message," and that as long as we don't eat double cheeseburgers and fried bacon we are eating healthy, and to this is quite

the contraire. Obesity is becoming the number one killer in America, and I can guarantee that people aren't getting fat out of mustard and pepper.

Yes, Ellen White does say that mustard and pepper aren't good for the stomach, but she also says in "Councils for the Church" p.223, that pickles, dairy products, sugar and foods that are fried, contain cheese or cooked in oil are equally as bad if not worse than condiments. And everything I just named are served in the cafeteria.

The health message isn't there to pick and choose from, and by excluding pepper and mustard from our cafeteria, the school is doing exactly that.

A petition has been started to get condiments served in the cafeteria, because I have a dream!

Ashleigh Cohen,
Public relations major

Dear Editor,

Kudos to Justin Kobylka for his editorial in the Friday, Feb. 13 issue. Israel is too often demonized in the media for merely attempting to peacefully co-exist on the land granted to it by the United Nations. And yes, there are some things Israel has done that have aggravated the situation, and those things (i.e. some of the settlements) need to be undone. But at least we Jews are not teaching our children to become homicide bombers.

I was dismayed by the front cover political advertisement (was this paid or unpaid?). I thought the Seventh-Day Adventist church believed in the separation of church & state. President George Bush and his

administration have set the cause of religious liberty back by many years in this country, yet most Adventists seem to support him due to his "compassionate conservatism." I never thought I would see the Adventist Church run a political advertisement in a official church-published paper. I think Ellen White would not approve (Fundamentals of Christian Education p. 475, among other passages), but I sense she has become more more irrelevant to your church over the years. Perhaps that is why I saw so many of you supporting Roy Moore when he came to UTC before (rightly) losing his judge-ship.

Tres Wood
MBA, SAU class of 2002

speech to the New York State United Teachers convention in Washington, Sen. Kerry said, "I'm not going to let the likes of (House Minority Whip) Tom DeLay question my patriotism, which I fought for and bled for in order to have the right to speak out." Sen. Kerry didn't fight and bled so that just his political views or the views of those that agree with him could be expressed. He fought so that everyone might have that right. That is what makes America great. We live in a democracy in which we have the right to voice our opinion without fear of oppression or retaliation.

So, to you who took the liberty of marking up my bumper sticker, I would say that your

actions have proven to be a contradiction of the principles that your own candidate fought and bled for. To any intelligent person, your action indicates stupidity. To anyone else who has ever had the urge to take a marker or a razor blade to a bumper sticker, I would say that you reconsider. Get your own bumper sticker and promote your First Amendment rights. Honor the sacrifice of all those who throughout our nations history, who like Sen. Kerry have bled and even died for the right of everyone to freely practice his or her First Amendment rights.

Sincerely,
Clint A. Christensen

Letters to the editor (cont.)

Dear Editor,
How disgusting to see a Bush/Cheney '04 graphic on the front page of the *Accent* this week! It's disgusting on many accounts, not the least of which being the already waning journalistic integrity of this newspaper. After the publication of this week's *Accent*, the *Accent* in one sudden bone-headed move has forfeited its claim to objectivity and completely lost what little respect this reader had left in the first place.
How none of the faculty sponsors in the School of

Journalism and Communication managed to catch this error is beyond me. That the very principle of purely objective reporting they teach us from the beginning would be so flagrantly ignored by both the students in charge of the newspaper and the faculty sponsors is indicative of the seemingly blatant disregard for professionalism.

There are reasons why a political advertisement would appear in this or any other newspaper. One is if the paper was endorsing that particular candidate. But if that

were the case, one would expect to find an article outlining this somewhere in the paper. I looked, but didn't come across anything.

Another would be if that particular candidate had paid for advertising in the paper. My guess is President Bush isn't too worried about campaigning that seriously at Southern Adventist University.

A third (and completely unacceptable) reason such a graphic would appear in the paper is oversight. However, such "oversights" don't simply just happen. Presumably

there are safeguards in place to prevent them. If this is not the case at the *Accent*, might I suggest to those in charge that they pay closer attention to what is being taught in their journalism classes and implement a stronger strategy.

It's a sad day when I have to start reading my own school newspaper the same way I watch "Fox News." (That is, with my "Codebook of Conservative Collateralisms.") But now that I know for certain that there is a conservative slant to the writings of the *Accent*, I will

begin to only believe 25% of what I read instead of 50%. No doubt in next week's issue there will be some feeble attempt at an apology—maybe even a Kerry or Edwards appeasement graphic nestled in there somewhere—but the question is, will I be able to find it in amongst all of the other conservative propaganda?

Brian Lauritzen
Junior Broadcast Journalism/Music Performance Major

SEE EDITORS RESPONSE
BELOW

Editor's response

BOB BOATWRIGHT
EDITOR

I would like to address the Bush/Cheney teaser graphic that appeared on the front of the *Accent* in last week's issue.

The graphic in question begs an explanation more than it needs a defense or even an apology. It was brought to your attention late Thursday night that we didn't have permission from the photographer to run the existing teaser. Our faculty advisor had left the office for the evening, the remaining editorial staff decided to fast-track the plan to cover the political arena in light of the developing primary

A new teaser was chosen, and with our haste the necessary identifying it as a teaser for the coming week's issue was overlooked. There is no excuse for such an omission and we take all responsibility for it.

The *Accent* editors (and anyone else who stays abreast of political news) know that the Democratic Party hasn't named its presidential and vice-presidential candidates yet. We weren't able to include a profile in our teaser box for the Democratic ticket. For us, it was simply put in the hands of two hopefuls would have been inappropriately presumptuous.

Brian Lauritzen charges the faculty sponsors in the School of Journalism and Communication "with flagrantly ignoring the principle of purely objective reporting and also asserts that they have blatant disregard for professionalism."

These are serious charges to

level against the professors in the School of Journalism and Communication under whom he studies, and such accusations shouldn't be brought against them lightly and without solid evidence.

Brian also seems to equate the Bush/Cheney teaser with actual journalistic reporting and erroneously concludes that the studios news reporter class staff writers' work is biased. This is quite a leap.

For the record, the controversial graphic was meant to be just that. We feel it is our duty as editors to arouse the student body from its general political complacency. We have discussed with our faculty advisor the press's role in advocating a political candidate and he has informed us that it is an appropriate role. As journalists we are first obligated to be fair and balanced in our reporting the platforms of the several political parties and candidates, but we also have an obligation to be subjective in our interpretation of the reported facts as we recommend a candidate. This subjective editorializing in the Op/Ed section is what makes newspapers (like the Chattanooga Times Free Press) great.

I would like to challenge Brian or anyone who believes that the *Accent*'s journalistic integrity is waning to present hard evidence of this before glibly tossing around accusations. The *Accent* staff strives to report truth and to report it with the Christian integrity that they have learned (and are learning) from their professors.

Tim morse on John Kerry 'the scandal'

TIMOTHY MORSE
Guest Contributor

This week a story is breaking in our nation that you may or may not have heard. Renowned journalist Matt Drudge recently wrote a story regarding Democratic presidential candidate front-runner John Kerry. His lead? Apparently the esteemed Mr. Kerry has been scrutinized by the media of late regarding some "inappropriate conduct" with one of his interns. Of course, this information hasn't been published yet for the sole reason that John Kerry is the mainstream media's "baby boy." But now the cat's out of the bag; the story has been started, and it will just be a matter of time before the extremely liberal mainstream media must face up and begin reporting on this subject.

Apparently, the woman with whom Mr. Kerry committed some unintentional acts recently fled the country at his behest, presumably because her success could weigh heavily on his success in the upcoming presidential campaign. However, she blabbed the story to one of her girlfriends, who then took it upon herself to share the information with the rest of America (funny how

women like to do that, isn't it?).

Anyway, apparently some of his Democratic opponents knew of this upcoming disaster. In a conversation with reporters last week fellow Democratic candidate Gen. Wesley Clark stated that "Kerry will implode over an intern issue." And recent Democratic front-runner Howard Dean has renewed his campaign track and refused to bow out because of the furor and chaos this story would undoubtedly bring to the Kerry campaign.

Now I'm going to take this on a different track. Whether or not you believe this report, I ask you to look at this without bias (a tricky act, to be sure). I state the rest of this paragraph with my tongue firmly lodged in my cheek — imitating the cries that will come from the liberal wing. Isn't marital infidelity not that big of a deal? Clinton got away with it, and he was already the president! So what's the big deal? Maybe Kerry planted this story on his own in an attempt to have that whole "intern thing" on his résumé. And what guy out there hasn't fooled around on the job? Why do we judge politicians so harshly when it

comes to their "personal lives"? Please remember that I don't actually think these are valid questions, and I hope that you find them as ridiculous as I do.

The truth is that the men we trust to lead our country should be able to demonstrate proper decorum in every area of their lives. Can we completely ignore a glaring flaw because it is offset by some positive attributes? For those of you who may have to hire workers someday, I pose the situation this way: If someone who was right for the job, except for the very small fact that he stole money from his mother's purse every week, applied to work for you, would you not be reticent to hire him? Would there not be a constant question in your mind about the security of the money in your store? We must, as a civic duty — and also as an homage to the great men and women who founded this country — judge every aspect of the lives of people who would lead us.

I'm not going to come right out and say that there are perfect people out there. I don't believe that that is possible. But we can find people that are up to the challenge of making the right choice even when no one is around. Is Senator Kerry one?

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An ambulance stands waiting to carry May to the ER.

Gymmaster injured

JUELLE JAMES
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Gymmaster, May Anderson is recovering from a fall that occurred during practice last week. Anderson suffered numerous bruises but should be back to practice soon.

Anderson was practicing a three-high stunt when she anticipated the call for down a few seconds early. She fell out of the stunt early hitting her back on the knee of a team member while her head hit the floor. Suffering whiplash, Anderson lay on the mat for some time.

Team members were concerned. "We were really worried about her," said Julie Dornick. "We wanted to make sure that she was ok."

Anderson did get up, but her body began to shake violently. She then rushed to the hospital for observation. She was fine but was told to rest up for a few weeks.

The team has suffered more injuries this semester than the last. The rest of the members are extra careful with their stunts and moves. They have numerous shows coming up but would like you to remember their home show on April 2, 2004 here at Southern. Keep them in your prayers.

DAN GRANT
SPORTS REPORTER

Basketball intramural playoffs have begun. This year the rules have changed a bit; double elimination applies in the playoff rounds. Games will be 20 minutes long with two 10-minute halves, meaning games will be intense, low scoring, yet exciting. With the games being so short, a half-court offense will be a must. Teams will have to create good shot opportunities and not force bad shots leading to turnovers.

The top teams Cheez-N-Grits, Big Rigs, Showtime and Hot to Trot are the teams to beat. Cheez-N-Grits' backcourt tandem of Matthew Higgins and Rick Schwarz can only be matched by the backcourt of Showtime's Edwin Urbina and Sean Thorne. The Grits have a run-and-gun style of play that can put up points in a hurry. Their front-court's height and defense gives

the other teams' big men fits all night.

The Big Rigs have been put to the test time and time again, but remain undefeated because of the way they play a controlled game. They set the pace of the game and force you to play their brand of basketball. The Wilson brothers, along with Charles Choban, play great together, and Alex Froom is one of the most consistent post players in the league. The loss of Rob Hubbard, will hurt this team's chances of winning the championship.

Showtime! With the backcourt tandem of Edwin Urbina and Sean Thorne, this team is to be reckoned with. Showtime plays intense defense, contesting every shot and pass, and they can put points on the board in a hurry making several runs each game.

The half-court game of Hot to Trot will take them deep into the playoffs. This team shoots high percentages because they create

easy lay ups.

Three teams you don't want to sleep on while planning your strategy are: the Has Beens, All Day and Hayes. Hayes played in the very tough Northern Division and All Day and Has Beens have been in every game they have played. Has Beens have lots of Southern intramural experience; look for them to upset one of the top teams.

All Day has given Big Rigs and

Showtime trouble all season, but some substitution problems have held them from their true potential. The championship game will consist of two teams that have one loss in the playoffs. They will have been battle tested and ready for whatever comes.

My prediction: Hot to Trot vs. Showtime-winner Hot to Trot by 2 points.

Injury on the court

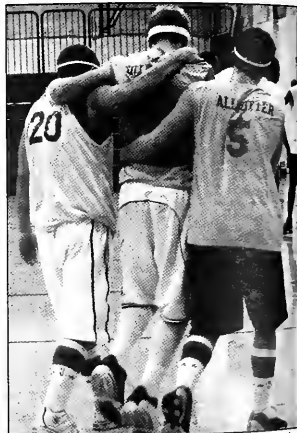


Photo by Jacqui Seely

Johnson lays up to score



Photo by Jacqui Seely

L to R: Breed's David Johnson makes a jumpshot against team Cheez-N-Grits Monday night. Final score 50-37

L to R: Captain Rick Schwarz and Matthew Higgins help teammate Donnie Miller scuttle to the bench after his ankle was injured in a rebound attempt.

All-Star weekend: the great disappointment

ETHAN NKANA
Sports Editor

This year's All-Star weekend hosted by Los Angeles wasn't a big disappointment. Now that may seem like a glaring contradiction to those of you who read my article on the decline of All-Star weekends in the past, but allow me to explain myself. This year's All-Star weekend wasn't a disappointment because I didn't expect much...In fact, I expected very little, and the NBA delivered.

I am going to spend the next few paragraphs ranting, so those of you who enjoyed the All-Star festivities

of the past weekend can go ahead and turn to the Humor page. Let me begin with the 989 Sports Skills Challenge. BD, Earl Boykins, Starbury and D Fish participated in this competition. For what? They were required to throw the ball through a circle, dribble around cones and make a layup. These guys are paid a zillion dollars a year to play this game; do you think that D Fish is going to toss and turn at night knowing he lost that competition to BD? No! Starbury was arguably snubbed from this year's All-Star roster, so as a consolation prize he gets to compete in the Skills Challenge. What an injustice.

I feel that the worst part of the weekend's festivities was the infamous Sprite Rising Stars Dunk Contest, featuring Fred Jones, J. Rich, Birdman and Ricky Davis. Please explain to me how Birdman can throw down an insane 180 and get a score of 42, while Fred Jones throws down a dunk that defies the laws of gravity and gets a score of 42, while Fred Jones throws down with his eyes closed, and receives a perfect go. Then he does the same dunk in the next round. He couldn't even hit his final attempt with a pass from a friend in the stands; he laid it in...and won. A greater injustice.

Why was Ray Allen in Staples Center on Saturday night with a suit on? It looked great, but I'm sure he was facing some internal turmoil watching Rashard Lewis and Cuttino Mobley disgrace themselves publicly in the Three-point shootout. I'm not upset that Peja did not win the contest, but I think that the NBA could have found better competition living in a box behind the Staples Center.

Sunday's All-Star game was a breath of fresh air and a disappointment all at the same time. It was exciting and entertaining although I was hoping that the Eastern Conference team would

win. Oddly, it didn't truly feel like All-Star weekend to me despite the alley-oop from AI to Joe Cannon. Then it happened...T-Mac threw a self-pass off the glass and finished with a magnificent flush. That was all I needed. That compensated for Yao's two missed three-point shots. Shaq's "Skip to my Love" impression and the public dis of Birdman in the dunk contest.

Hopefully, I'll get over this past weekend sometime around mid-May. Just in time for the jump on Birdman is the Truth, jump on the bandwagon while you still can. The out like every coach in the East.



the campus Chatter

Week of: February 19 - February 24

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GENERAL

The ATS meeting for February 21 will be rescheduled for March 10 in April. The next ATS meeting will be held mid-March.

SENIORS: If you are planning to graduate this May or July and haven't filled out the yellow senior application, please stop by the Records Office immediately and do so, otherwise your cap & gowns cannot be ordered. If you have any questions, call Sharon Rogers at ext 2283 or e-mail her at stgrogers@southern.edu.

SENIORS: Biology, Business, Computer Science, English, History, Math, Music, & Psychology majors are required to take the exit exam from respective schools/departments. These exams run through Sunday, February 22. Call the Counseling Center at 2782 for an appointment.

STUDENT ASSOCIATION

TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS: - Think you've got what it takes to dazzle students and walk away with the gold in the premiere entertainment event of the Student Association, calendar? Auditions for the Talent Show will be held in Alderman.

Auditorium Feb. 24, 2004, at 6:30 p.m. We're looking for not only musical talent, but also a wide variety to add to the diversity of a night that is going to be off the chain. Sign up at the SA office today!

RIES SERIES - Come support your friends in an evening of basketball! On Saturday, Feb. 21, the women's game will begin at 7:30 p.m. and the men's game will begin at 10:00 p.m. At half time for both men and women's games, the Student Association will be giving away numerous prizes including: stereo, CD players, cordless phones, tee shirts, etc.

CAMPUS MINISTRIES

Do you want to work in the Chaplain's Office next year? Applications for Assistant Chaplain, Public Relations and Media Directors, Collegiate Mission Director, Creative Ministries Directors, and receptionist are available up at the Chaplain's Office. Come and apply today to become involved!

Task Force/Student Missionary: These planning to be task force workers or student missionaries must sign up in the Chaplain's office before Spring Break.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19

11:00 a.m. Convocation - Doug Berk
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6:00 p.m. Rees Series (Iles)
7:45 p.m. Rees Series (Iles)
SA General Elections
Birthdays: Stephanie Eberly, Gault, Eirich, Anthony Handal, Jacob Miller, Amber Vaudreuil, Ann Clark, Wes Haiden, Genevieve Steyn

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20

6:28 p.m. Sunset
8:00 p.m. Vespers (Church)
Paxday
Birthdays: Jennifer Edge, Allison Jones, Katie Peerman, Ryan Rawson, Michelle Wright, Chad Raney

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21

9:00 a.m. Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
10:00 a.m. The Third - Mike Fulbright (Iles)
9:45 a.m. "Student Center Sabbath School" (Student Center)
"Another Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
10:00 a.m. Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
1:10 p.m. F.L.A.G. Camp (Meet at Wright Hall)
2:00 p.m. Shut in Ministries (Meet at Wright Hall)
6:00 p.m. Evening Song (Church)

7:30 p.m. Rees Series (Iles)
10:00 p.m. Rees Series (Iles)
Birthdays: Zaidi Collins, Bailey Latta, Mark Graham, Jeff Morley, Abby Forbels, Vincent Saunders, Heidi Shifer, Gerald Rye, Jessica Williams, Paula Gardner, David Lucas, Cindy McBrar, Keith Snider, Jazmye Wiche

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

12:00 p.m. Devants/Chairs Seminar
Birthdays: Michelle Miller, Nicha Blanton, Rebecca Chava, Elizabeth Carden, Julie Heurapay, Elizabeth Hoehn, Carlin Moore, Keri Roberts, Sandra Rodriguez, Mattie Sherrill, Julie Ray

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23

8:30 a.m. Board of Trustees Meeting (White Oak Room)
University Assembly
4:00 p.m. Last day for 40% tuition refund, no tuition refund after today
Badminton Singles Tournament Sign-ups
Birthdays: James Cerny, Teresa Lonsdale, Teresa Robinson, Dana McCharg, Shanon Pratt, Laura Butler

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

6:30 p.m. SA Talent Show Auditions (Wright)
Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Habitat)
Birthdays: Amanda Gagnard, Benjamin Fendrich, Nathan Smith, Allison Rauten, David Gauthier, Jason Lee

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Meat Advice Dude

Dear Advice Dude,
Due to the vegetarian diet

forced upon all Southern students, I have begun craving meat. Starving for some chicken, I purchased a Chicken Taco Salad at the Campus Kitchen. The chicken was FAAAAH!! KR's Place sells none of the meaty, juicy goodness I desire. Even the cafeteria with its recycled food has no promise of delicious meat. In desperation, I have begun looking around campus for other sources of flesh foods. I can't catch any squirrels or rabbits or snakes!! Locusts do not taste good, even if John the Baptist did eat them. Last night, at a (vegetarian) friend's house, I was watching a reality television show. I began to envy the participants as they consumed grubs, ants, and worms. They could eat meat! I have no on-campus access to it!! And then, I heard my friend's little girl singing "Mary Had a Little

Lamb." My mouth watered as I thought of lamb chops! Delicious lamb chops! The little girl ran crying from the room, screaming, "Ew, that person is drooling. Daddy! Why. That's why I was drooling. I want to sink my teeth into wonderful, rich, hearty, savory, tasty, flavorful meat!" I want meat whenever I crave it! O powerful Advice Dude, how can I cope with the lack of meat on campus? Thank you for your honest, compassionate, knowledgeable advice.

Desperately starving, A P.E.T.A. (People Eating Tasty Animals) member trapped on a vegetarian campus.

Dear Starving, Whoa, frightening acronym-type person, sounds like you have a mondo problem! But as my faithful readers know, there is no problem

too agro for The Dude. First off, I'd say lay off the salivating before someone has a Technicolor yawn. But to calm your blotto, I will assist you in solving your problem. Ok, you were on the right track with bunting. There is aikona way you're going to catch a squirrel and I doubt that would even taste gif if you did.

Instead, watch for one of the many bennys with chariots on campus to return from a run to Bloaty Burger or Choky's Chicken or wherever your carnivorous treats are purveyed. I would suggest hiding in the bushes near one of the parking lots. And then when they get out of the car jump 'em. You'll get the kinda red hot treats, the kinda sticky lick sweets you crave. And for the previous owner of the meaty combustibles.... well, they're left saying "Poop on a stick."

No problem is too large for The Dude.

Canadians hate Triumph

BRYAN BROFLOVSKI
PEN NAMED HUMOR EDITOR

Many of the great state of Canada's high officials were a bit put off by a recent visit from Triumph the Insult Comic Dog, which was funded with Canadian tax dollars. When Triumph caught wind of a Canadian couple saying that they were French separatists he commented by saying, "Listen closely—that is the sound of no one giving a (expletive deleted)." Officials thought that it was more offensive than painfully true.

Triumph had several other golden zingers that I cannot print here. I can say that one made fun of the holy Celine Dion, which is

a big no-no for our neighbors to the north.

Triumph's actions and words caused such a ruckus that Canadians are even thinking of asking for their money back—a whopping \$750,000. Of course, that is in Canadian dollars, so you know, about 50 cents American.

One member of Canadian Parliament had this to say: "The whole point of trying to help deal with the devastation of the SARS crisis on the city of Toronto was to attract tourists." She later added "aye." Triumph has kept very tight-lipped on the matter, but if I know Triumph like I think I know Triumph, he would say, "I am sorry about this whole

ordeal. I never meant to insult anyone. You know, despite my name Triumph the INSULT Comic dog. I hope that the people of Canada can forgive me. And I hope they know that I think the Canadian people are wonderful people....For me to poop on!



Photo from google.com picture search. This is Triumph the Insult Comic Dog.

INSIGHTFUL INSIGHTS

By Guest Contributor Roberto Martinez

I think vegetarianism sneaked up on man. We were there all cool, chillin' eating on a chicken wing and then out of nowhere....WHAM!

TOP TEN

Deadly junk to eat

I DON'T KNOW
I'M CONFUSED

With Mad Cow dieses and the bird flu upon us, I thought it was my civic duty to warn the public of other diseases that can be contracted from contact with or eating of certain meats. I shall do so in a little column I like to call TOP TEN DEADLY JUNK TO EAT

10. Badger bronchitis (So most people don't eat badgers true, but it is mighty tasty with mushrooms!)
9. Venereal veal (This is especially bad in France.)
8. Flemish frog legs
7. Attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder ants (Hey fried....Look a bird!)
6. Precocious Possum (If eaten, this could affect intelligence [But what is the intelligence level of some one eating possum in the first place])
5. Small headache-inducing fugu.
4. Anything sold at McDonald's (Just avoid it, ok? Just avoid it)
3. Elephantiasis popcorn shrimp
2. Gangrenous lobster
1. And the number one reason Mary Moon is a vegetarian: Weight-gain ham. (Rumor has it, too much of this will make you FAT!)

The joy of soy

NOT BY NATANIEL REYES
BUT BY THE BEAUTIFUL
KELLY WEIMER
SHAY WRITER

Soy. That word should make any Adventist mouth water. Where would we be without it? No veggie-dogs, no fri-chick, no scallops, no prossage - it's unthinkable (though I could live without whiam). Without that precious bean, we would have starved long ago. We owe it a lot. So, in honor of our favorite legume, let us sing:

"Ode to Soy" (Sung to the tune of Beethoven's "Ode to Joy")

Hail to soy. The other great meat. Lots of stuff for us to eat. Keep us healthy. Keep us meat-free--Hail to soy, O we love Thee!

Mother of fake burgers and hot dogs that contain no eggs or hogs. There never was a finer fake meat. Eating gary such a treat!



Jugghead eats at a restaurant...



by Justin Janetzko

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Fire, water damage Lynn Wood Hall

DON CANTRELL
Staff Writer

A fire broke out in Lynn Wood Hall Thursday night, prompting an evacuation of the building and surrounding areas of campus.

University officials confirmed that a faulty gas-powered heater caused the fire, which started in an attic area above the Chapel stage.

Although no flames were visible from outside, smoke was billowing from the rafters above the north entrance to the building.

According to the Chattanooga Times Free Press, firefighters with Tri-Community Volunteer Fire Department were at the scene within four minutes of the alarm sounding, said Battalion Chief Steve Wright. Chief Wright said the entire roof of Lynn Wood Hall might have been consumed if the building's sprinkler system had not engaged.

Recent managing editor Tim Jester was allowed inside the building while the firefighters were finishing their extinguishing efforts. "Waterlogged plaster chipped the ceiling in two or three places while we were standing in the main auditorium," Jester said.

Aside from the smoke and fire damage, there was also extensive water damage from the building's sprinkler system and water pumped in by firefighters.

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Photo by Jacqui Secley

SA officers for 2004-2005 were elected Thursday: Social Vice President Justin Evans, left, President Melvin Taylor and Executive Vice President Alan Orrison, right.

New SA officials have big plans

BRIAN MAGSIPOC
Staff Writer

Student Association's recent election has brought students Melvin Taylor, Alan Orrison and Justin Evans on board as president, executive vice president and social vice president. These new representatives were chosen on the basis of their platforms, ability to perform, and their reputations as students. But, more importantly, what will they do for the students?

"What I really want...is to get students' voices heard," said Justin Evans, religion major. "One idea I'm thinking of doing is...to create a survey to send out to all students." These surveys would have questions about

preferences of drinks or food at events, as well as others, said Evans. "That way, they feel that what they want matters...that way, they can have input."

Alan Orrison, junior history major, believes senate should be more involved. "I want senate to be visible, so each senator is somebody that a person can recognize and talk to," he said. "I want to have more social involvement, so students recognize senators as people to come to with their concerns, like an RA." Orrison hopes to continue working on modernizing the dorm laundry system, a project he has worked on during this semester. The new system would use ID cards instead of quarters. "It's really the only place on campus that's

not getting modernized," he said.

"I believe SA needs to be more about the students," said Melvin Taylor, sophomore business management major. "People's views should be recognized and opinions should be recognized and opinions should be recognized." Taylor also hopes to start "power hour." Students would turn in prayer request cards, and SA officials would pray for groups of 15-20 students a day at an appointed time.

So what does it take to run for office and win? A lot of planning, says Orrison. "I had posters, stickers...my brother even made a website," he said.

The online voting system has increased voter turnout to 795, up from 500 plus last year.

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Photo by Jacqui Secley

What the writer asks of his reader is not so much to lie as to listen.

- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Fire

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"A/V was completely flooded," said Ted Prouty, senior mass communication major, who was assisting the clean up and damage control after the fire. "There was a lot of expensive equipment down there that will be destroyed for sure," Prouty added.

Although much of Lynn Wood Hall is still usable, there was extensive damage to the bottom floor from flooding, as well as fire damage in the chapel area and on the attic level.

University increases scholarships by \$250,000

JULIE HANDSIDES

STAFF WRITER

Southern will award thousands of dollars in additional scholarships this year. The increase in STAR (scholarship for returning and transfer students) was approved by the university's strategic planning committee in January. The new scholarship is expected to ease the burden of an expected 4.7% rise in tuition for the 2004-2005 school year.

Usually freshmen have no problem obtaining an abundance of scholarship money, yet many have a hard time coming up with funds for their

subsequent years. The student finance office wanted more money to give returning and transferring students.

Students will automatically be given a STAR scholarship for the 2004-2005 school year based on their GPA as of January 2004. Recipients are required to be either a returning or transfer student and to have a GPA of 3.4 or above.

Last year's Star scholarship base award was \$1,000.00, and peaked at \$1,500. This year, the base scholarship is now \$1,500 and peaks at \$2,500.

"It only makes sense to increase those levels, and con-

centrate the additional funding on returning students," said Marc Grundy, director of enrollment services.

Typically the university awards the STAR scholarship to about 600 students. The increased cash amounts will hopefully also encourage transfer and returning students to get their grades up, student finance officials said.

The university does not cap the number of students eligible. For instance, if 1,500 students were eligible, all would be awarded the STAR scholarship.

"Increasing this award will help students better afford an

Adventist education," Grundy said.

New students are not eligible for departmental scholarships, so the STAR scholarship gives transfer students more financial assistance. Marketing and Enrollment Services asked the university administration to provide more funds and the "timing was perfect," Grundy said.

The increased scholarship funding should also help the university boost freshman retention rates by helping students who struggle to finance an Adventist education.

American Humanities students deliver more than apple pie

DANIELLE MUHLBECK

STAFF WRITER

American Humanities students delivered apple pies to Tennessee legislators Tuesday in Nashville. The deliveries were made on behalf of the March of Dimes organization which seeks to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects and infant mortality.

"I wanted to help these babies who can't help themselves," said senior American Humanities student Alicia Anderson.

An estimated 80 volunteers from across the state of Tennessee helped support the March of Dimes cause. The volunteers were asked to deliver the apple pies, share the importance of passing cer-

tain bills and invite the lawmakers to a reception later that evening.

Kathy Souchet, American Humanities program administrator, found the experience to be beneficial. "Students not only saw how an organization communicates their mission, but also how the government of Tennessee works."

The March of Dimes is currently seeking legislative support of a bill to increase tobacco tax by 40 cents per cigarette package. The organization also wants statewide expansion of the HUGS prenatal home visitation program and permission to conduct an annual raffle.

It is the March of Dimes' goal to reduce the premature birth rate through legislative

measures. Mary Nel Bryon, a lobbyist for the March of Dimes organization, stated that there are only four states that have higher premature birth rates than Tennessee.

In addition to delivering baked goods and sharing information, the American Humanities students also

attended an educational committee. Tommie Brown, a representative from Chattanooga and vice-chair of the committee, acknowledged the students' presence during the session. According to Souchet, Brown expressed interest in visiting Southern's campus. Sen. David Fowler (R-Signal

Mountain) from Chattanooga also took time to talk with the students and take pictures with the students.

The American Humanities students plan on returning next year for the fourth annual Apple Pie for Healthy Babies Legislative Event.

Software technology center gives students real-world experience

RENIE WILLIAMS

STAFF WRITER

Roben Ortiz runs eight servers and is currently redesigning his company's network. He also provides technical support for clients who experience hardware-related problems with their Web sites.

All this is just part of his student job as systems administrator for the School of Computing's software technology center.

"The nature of the business can sometimes be a little tense," Ortiz says. "There have been stressful days when things aren't working as they should, and that places a lot of pressure on the person in charge: me."

The responsibility he's been entrusted with and the professionalism of the environment are helping prepare him for work in the real world after he graduates.

With a degree focused on software development and work experience as a systems administrator, Ortiz hopes he will be more marketable to employers, especially small businesses that can't afford to hire one person to do software development and another to do systems administration.

Ortiz, a master of software engineering student, is one of more than 20 Southern students gaining professional work experience through the software technology center in the areas of software development, graphic design, sales, accounting and hosting.

Software technology is a university department, known to the community as the Webprots. The department was created in 1994 to do research and general development but has since shifted its focus to Web application development, said Tim Korson, the director of the software technology center.

The department is currently looking for a new

accountant.

"What we're looking for are students interested in gaining experience working with clients," Korson said. "We're looking for people who really want to get significant experience in their co-op/work."

About a fourth of software technology clients are church or school-related, Korson said. Recent projects range from a Website for Collegedale Church's Kid Center to the new campus jobs listing, <http://hr.southern.edu/jobs>. The rest of the department's clients are local businesses and organizations, from the Collegedale Exxon to the Boy Scouts of America to Cherokee Area Council.

While software technology wants to provide service to the community, its main purpose is to teach students. "Our fundamental reason for existence is educational," Korson said. "We want to provide experience for students."

Korson said students who may want a job in software technology in the future should stop by and talk to him because he generally hires students whom he's already met or who've done contract projects for the department in the past.

"Establishing a relationship with us is a great way to get in line for an opening as it comes along," he said.

Rollin Rutherford, a senior accounting major who worked for software technology last year, said the experience as an accountant there helped him land another job in accounting, even though he is still in college.

Rutherford said working for software technology was an invaluable experience. "They put you a lot of responsibility," he said. "Even if you make mistakes they coach you along and make you a better person."

The Webprots' Website advertises their services.

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Demoniac healed



Photo by Jacqui Seeley

Doug Berkley, left, and Kim Christian portray the Gerasene demoniac being healed by Jesus while performing "Kairos" Thursday for convocation in the Collegedale Church. The Greek word "Kairos" means "God's time being fulfilled."

Angel in Chains premieres at Tivoli

JACQUI SEELEY
STAFF WRITER

Students, mark your calendar now for a free movie March 11. "Angel in Chains," the second film from the School of Visual Art and Design, will premier at the Tivoli Theatre in downtown Chattanooga.

The School of Visual Art and Design film crew will attend, as well as the film's three main actors, Don Pearson, Chelsea Jo Clarkson age 9, and Tana Lee Bristow. The country band Baillie and the Boys will perform for the premier. Baillie and the Boys wrote and recorded several songs for the film's soundtrack. The premier will start at 6:30 p.m.

Chattanooga Mayor Bob Corker donated the Tivoli venue after touring Brock Hall last semester. Corker found director Nathan Huber and sound editor Ryan Pardeiro working on the soundtrack. "We showed him a clip, and I guess he liked it," Huber said.

The 40 minute film appeals to independent filmmakers and church groups, said Nathan Pizar, visual effects supervisor. "It's really a combination

of outreach, PR, advertising and fun all in one."

Students were anxious to get their feet wet on an actual film project.

"I'm just glad that the film [program] gets to say 'Check us out, we're just starting and there's more to come!'" said Huber. "This isn't playing with mom and dad's camcorder. This is modern evangelism! And we are serious

when the lead actor never arrived. But Huber found replacement Don Pearson the next day at a local Seventh-day Adventist church. Other difficulties ranged from malaria and constant dehydration to equipment malfunctions and a tight deadline.

"Everyone seemed really impressed at how the whole crew of students got along in sticky situations," said Pizar. "Eventually, some of the actors would come to church with us and sit in on morning devotions."

The producers took the film to the Adventist Book Center Seminar in Florida Feb. 23. After showing the trailer, DVD copies were given to distributors such as Review and Herald and Pacific Press. DVDs will be available for purchase directly from the School of Visual Art in a few weeks, with the price estimated at \$14.95 per copy. All proceeds will fund future film projects, said producer David George, assistant professor in the School of Visual Art and Design.

For more information about "Angel in Chains" visit <http://art.southern.edu/films/>.

Christ appears in film

ASTOR MIKE LENO
STAFF CONTRIBUTOR

It remains impossible to escape the buzz that the recent Mel Gibson movie *The Passion of Christ* has created. Some claim the movie is anti-Semitic. Others claim it is the best evangelistic opportunity since the actual death of Christ. Some people, such as Adventist scholar Samuele Bacchiocchi, caution against using Hollywood-style depictions of violence to tell the story of Jesus. Meanwhile, Mel Gibson tells interviewers that he and the Catholic Church are in no way anti-Semitic. In fact, he says, "There are encyclicals written against it (anti-Semitism)."

That leaves me with more questions than answers. My questions center on this: does the movie add to our understanding of Jesus' life? Knowing the way modern movies graphically depict violence, I don't at all sure I would look forward to seeing this film. Perhaps Bacchiocchi has a point. The blood and gore could actually obscure the real meaning of the cross. For example, Jesus' statement "It is finished" signified a lot more than the end of his torture on the cross. Will the movie express that?

As a kid growing up in a Christian home, I've heard about the death on the cross probably before I could even talk. I remember having nightmares about crucifixion. Of course, over the years I guess I've become desensitized to the implications of the sacrifice. But I still object to seeing crucifixes as jewelry and religious art as artwork that makes me uneasy. That's because I never quite reconciled myself to the idea that "The Old Rugged

Cross" was something to get sentimental about. It was an instrument of the cruelest, degrading torture ever invented by the depraved mind of a human being.

So I'll admit a bit of a dilemma. On the one hand, maybe we've heard the story of Jesus' death so many times we don't really appreciate it. Maybe a little graphic realism would let the significance of the event sink in past our numbed senses, jaded by so much pop culture. But on the other hand, maybe this movie is just another example of a pop culture that emphasizes form over substance. Hollywood might be able to make us feel the agony. But can it help us understand it? I have my doubts.

Shane and Shane on the "Carry Away" tour

With special guests
Ginny Owens and
Shaun Groves

MELISSA CAMPBELL
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Impop Records' singer/songwriter duo Shane Barnard and Shane Everett will headline the "Carry Away" Tour accompanied by Rocketown's Dove Award-winning Ginny Owens and multi-Dove Award nominee Shaun Groves. A follow up to Shane and Shane's successful 60-city leg of the tour last fall, the "Carry Away" Tour will hit 29 cities nationwide between March 3 and April 3 with average audiences of over 2,500 per night.

Shane Barnard and Shane Everett, known collectively as Shane and Shane, have experienced overwhelming success since releasing "Carry Away," the duo's critically acclaimed, best-selling sophomore project for Impop Records in March. A Top 10

debut on SoundScan's "Top Christian Albums" chart and #149 spot on Billboard's "Top 200" pushed "Carry Away" to immediate sales success and helped drive the album up radio charts as well. "Be Near," the initial single from "Carry Away" produced by Newsboys' Fontanney Peter Furler, hit #3 on the Christian Radio Weekly (CRW) Inspirational radio chart and #14 on CRIW's Adult Contemporary chart. In the fall of 2003, the momentum for Shane and Shane built further with a successful 60-city tour while the duo continued to receive tremendous support from retailers and media. The worshipful urgency and artistic crafting of "Carry Away" prompted Worship Leader Magazine to call the album "a highlight of the current contemporary Christian season and proof positive of a fresh wind of artistry blowing across the musical landscape."

Described by Billboard as "a song-writer of incredible depth," Dove Award-winner Ginny Owens will

spend the "Carry Away" tour sharing new songs from her upcoming April 6 release, "Beautiful," a progressive pop record that focuses on the God responsible for ultimate beauty. Blind since the age of 2, her original goal was to be a teacher, and she earned a degree in Music Education from Belmont University in Nashville before being discovered by the Michael W. Smith-owned Rocketown label.

Shaun Groves is touring in support of his sophomore album, "Twilight," a 2003 release which prompted one critic to note, "Shaun Groves is one of the biggest artists to emerge in 21st century Christian music, in large part because his music is timeless." Born in Tyler, Texas, Shaun Groves is a songwriter at heart, one who has already been exceedingly embraced in Christian music. Groves' debut, "Invitation to Ravensport," inspired his success as the project's first single, "Welcome Home," rocketed to No. 1 on the Christian adult contemporary



poster courtesy <http://www.carryawaytour.com>

radio charts, where it stayed for four consecutive weeks.

The "Carry Away" Tour will launch at Rocketown in Nashville, Tenn., March 3, continuing to Chattanooga on March 11th. For more information on the "Carry Away" Tour and Shane and Shane, Ginny Owens and Shaun Groves, please visit www.impop.com or www.rocketownrecords.com.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT

OPINION

Thumbs-up Thumbs-down By Justin Kobylka



Thumbs up to bandwidth expansion on the weekends for the past couple weekends. Dorm students have been blessed with a reprieve from the 200 MB download limit - during this time the limit was doubled to 400 MB a day. Thank you so much IS.

Thumbs down to people who walk in front of Accent photographers at sporting events. Each week, the Accent tries to bring you high quality shots of intramural action - please respect this and don't walk between the photographers and the shot they are trying to capture. It's for you.



Thumbs up to the weekenders being mailed to all of our Southern friends. This is a great resource for both campus and village students. It is good to know the details of weekend events such as Sabbath schools and Saturday night events.

Thumbs down to The Southern Accent for not putting more investigative journalism into the article about the incident with Eddie Avant and allegedly, Joe Haynes' car. If Don Cantrell had spoken with students who witnessed the incident he would have found that more than one eyewitness believes that the driver was not trying to run Avant down. This viewpoint was not presented to balance Campus Safety's side of the story. I don't have an opinion as to what happened; I just think there was a primary source that was overlooked.



Letters to the editor

Dear Editor,

I am completely shocked by the lack of civility and professionalism demonstrated by the Accent in the article regarding the arrest of student Joe Haynes. The front page report marred an otherwise excellent issue, and proved to me that the Accent has a long way to go before it can call itself the "official student newspaper of SAU," or at least one that I can be proud of.

I cannot claim to be a journalism major, but as a frequent reader of various magazines and publications I do know what separates the professional from the mediocre: tact, objectivity and relevant material.

The Accent demonstrated that it does not care for tact by pinning Haynes' face on the front page of our paper. Although I don't know the student personally, I did not need to see his face in order to appreciate the article. These decisions can often be made easier by putting yourself in the position at hand; I don't think that any of us would feel good about having our picture posted for hundreds to read when we have already been shamed because of a terrible mistake.

The Accent also demonstrated that it cares nothing of objectivity by connecting evidence without sufficient merit to do so. The fact that both Haynes and the suspect drive a black Volkswagen is not so incredible. If the police had no comment on this part of the

investigation, then merely state so. It is completely unprofessional to make an implied assumption of guilt based on the observations of Accent reporters. As you know, good journalism also attempts to look at all angles and sides of a story. Even though Haynes had "no comment" on the incident, wouldn't it have been worthwhile to interview someone else close to him that perhaps could shed some more light on the issue? Biased reporting is never good reporting.

Lastly and most distasteful was the Accent's complete disregard for telling the story at hand. Haynes' background and/or previous issues with the school and the Accent are not relevant to his conduct regarding the incident with Avant. Digging up someone's background is reminiscent of such publications as "The Star" or "National Inquirer," and something I previously thought the Accent was above doing. It appears as if The Accent was merely resolving a previous grudge with the student and not just doing their homework.

I would like to state for the record that I have appreciated the Accent's hard work this year, and enjoyed reading what it has to offer. I am merely stating what I feel to be a major flaw in the system. I hope in the future I can proudly send "my paper" home, without feeling embarrassed.

Sincerely,
Tara Lewis
Junior English Major

Dear Editor,
I was angered as I read last week's "Police Arrest Assault Suspect." This article was the epitome of gutter journalism. It was a smear, a character assassination of the worse kind.

About four years ago a similar article was published in the Accent about a friend of mine. That article misrepresented him, his interaction with campus safety, and his supposed wrong. Consequently, he dropped out of school and did not feel welcome around campus because people, not knowing the facts, had condemned him because someone decided to judge and accuse him publicly without correct knowledge.

edge.

It angers me that this came from a Christian institution/paper. What was the purpose of this article? To not only disclose the name, the picture, the address, and the car make and model of someone, but to bring up past grievances? Besides being nauseating, this is just simply not good taste. It is childish to write such things. I believe this is extremely unprofessional and not Christian-like. If gutter journalism is supplanting Christianity at Southern I'm in the wrong school.

Sarah Eirich,
Senior nursing major

Dear Editor,

I think that it may be a little narrow-minded for someone to say, in the 21st century, that we cannot find Christ in the theaters. I think that God can use and does use every type of media to meet people. I have not seen the movie yet, it is still a week before the premiere as I write this note, but I will see it before I open my mouth about whether or not it is anti-Semitic in nature.

It's interesting to me that Martin says, "I had thought about seeing the movie but I kept getting an overwhelming impression that this would be no different from rushing out to see a false Christ."

I too had a thought about seeing the movie and after watching interview after interview of Mr. Gibson and his belief, acceptance and faith in Christ I am determined to go and see this film. I have watched the trailer and read the notes posted on-line about the violent content of the movie and I feel that God has impressed

this man to show a more vivid depiction of the sacrifice and love of Christ than has ever been released to the television or theater thus far.

I believe that this film is Gibson's personal testimony of what happened to Jesus during the final 12 hours of his life on earth. This film is going to express the heartfelt testimony of why a man's (Gibson's) life was changed because of the "Passion" of Jesus Christ.

If we say that it's inappropriate to watch or listen to a man's artistic testimony of his faith in Christ, then how do we explain the musical expression of Verdi's "Requiem," St. Matthew's "Passion" by Beethoven, Handel's "Messiah," or Vivaldi's "Gloria"? Is there a difference? I don't know if Handel and I would have the same fundamental beliefs when it comes to Christianity, but I know that his music has brought a lot of people to the throne of God and into the arms of Christ. This is the 21st century. We believe the way to reach the secular mind is through the more contemporary styles of media.

The media does a great job of scrambling the truth, and will admit that, but I hope every Christian who goes to see this film will make their own critique on it and have the wisdom to think for every non-Christian hope that every non-Christian will feel inclined to read more about Christ after witnessing his sacrifice and love for us all. I venture to say that this is also Gibson's intent and hope for humans who watch "The Passion of the Christ."

I look forward to reading your critique you will publish on this film.

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Letter from the editors

Dear Accent Readers

The editors' staff would like to address the ire created over last week's coverage of the arrest of Southern student Joe Haynes. Several students have written in to voice their opinions, which we appreciate; however, we would like to point out new things to our readers.

The Accent repeatedly asked Haynes for his side of the story. We called him and even visited his residence to ensure that he had every available opportunity to have his side of things in our article. The only forthcoming information from him was "no comment." Readers are right to say Haynes did not have his voice in the article; however it's not because the Accent did not want to listen-it's because Haynes was not talking.

The only other way to get Haynes' version of things would be for Accent reporters to walk around Collegedale, asking random people if they knew what Haynes' motivations were, or if they knew what Haynes thought. This would be unfair to Haynes. In addition it clearly would be the use of hearsay, which clearly would be inaccurate and unethical. Haynes' story has to come from Haynes.

Our responsibility and the responsibility of every news organization is to report the truth accurately and not com-

promise the caliber of our reporting just because it may hurt somebody's feelings. It would ruin the Accent's objectivity if "tact," making people feel good" and "how would I feel" took precedence over giving the facts.

Reporting on relevant truth is far from character assassination. As Christians, we forgive Haynes without reservation for his past mistakes—we all make them, and Haynes has apologized and paid for his. However, the fact remains that in the past, Haynes has shown disregard for the rules, distorted the truth and then lied repeatedly to the entire student body, attempting to cover his tracks. This may not be fair to think about, but it is definitely relevant to the issue at hand. If the truth about acts committed in public somehow damage Mr. Haynes' reputation, this is not the Accent's fault.

Included details such as Haynes' car and the addition of Haynes' picture also seemed to distract many perturbed readers. Is it not an important detail that the vehicle Haynes drives matches the description of the vehicle that the victim in the assault supplied to the Accent in previous reports? Would it be fair for the Accent to omit this detail? Furthermore, by placing Haynes' picture with the story, we skipped the step where stu-

dents would go to a computer and look him up on the Joker.

To say the Accent has a "vendetta" against Joe Haynes is completely false and quite ridiculous. If he chooses to come forward at any time, we would be elated to put Haynes' story in print in the next issue. Nobody on the editorial staff from whom Haynes' plagiarism event took place is on the staff now. Nobody on the editorial staff knows Haynes or has ever even met him. Some of the editors had not even heard of Haynes before last week.

The charges against Mr. Haynes are serious ones. An alleged aggravated assault against our Campus Safety director is hardly an issue for us to ignore. Obviously, the Accent regards Haynes as innocent unless proven otherwise; however if there is enough evidence against him for a judge to have Haynes arrested and taken to the station for booking, certainly there is enough evidence for the Accent to inform students of the reality of the situation.

We regret that some students are offended by our reporting; however, there seems to be no way around this. Everything the Accent publishes is as accurate as possible according to the best sources available.

Sincerely,

The Accent editors

Grow up!

ANDREW BERMUDEZ
GRINER COLLEGE

As I lay in my bed at night sometime last week, I was mulling over deep, difficult issues—issues such as the meaning of life, the best way to balance the federal budget, and why we guys can never understand women. No, actually, I've given up on figuring out those issues. But one thing I really have thought about recently is that I'm not the same person I was when I first moved into Talge Hall a little less than two years ago. Don't get me wrong: a lot is still the same. I look the same, eat the same, live in the same 1st East room and study the same subjects.

But as I was looking back at the second article I ever wrote for the venerable Accent, way back in September of 2002 when I first introduced myself to my unsuspecting readers, I realized that there's a lot that's different about me now. I came to Southern as a wide-eyed freshman, having just come from twelve years of home-schooling (and you thought your academy was small!). Since then I've changed, grown and matured. Well, at least a little bit. I'm sure many of you also find yourselves to be slightly different people than you were just a couple years ago.

Life experiences (like those we all go through here) change us

and become part of growing up as we (ideally) continue to mature physically, emotionally and socially. Often, though, it seems that our spiritual maturity falls by the wayside. In speaking to the Corinthians, Paul said, "And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ," 1 Corinthians 3:1. Although we are adults in body and in mind, how often do we still act as children spiritually—needing the gospel spoon-fed to us and thinking of it only when that spoon appears in our faces? Our studies and prayers—if we find the time for them at all—seem meaningless, even childish. Having a relationship with God takes the back burner. As we mature in so many ways, we seem to regress in some ways in our spiritual lives.

It's time to grow up! Just as we mature physically or mentally by exercising our abilities in those areas, we can only mature spiritually by engaging in spiritual activity. Spend some extra time every day in the Word; intercede for your friends to pray; find ways to minister spiritually to those around you. Don't let your spiritual maturity level fall behind. Keep God first in your heart. After all, you're young in His.

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THE RELIGION

Collegedale Korean Youth Church, reaching in and out

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STAFF WRITER

The Collegedale Korean Youth Church (CKYC) is a church run by the students who attend. It is their church and they have full authority with no accountability to a larger, older church. From pastor to pew warmer, this is a church based on students of Southern Adventist University getting involved in sharing Christ with others. Christ, and making the Him the center of lives, is the focus of CKYC. Those attending are studying the character of God and how to see Him in the world around in Sabbath school, church and prayer meeting. The goal is to have a better understanding of God. At Sabbath school, CKYC is currently studying the book of John. The Sabbath school format is open and discussion is encouraged. Learning through experiences shared and practical, everyday life helps the individual

member grow in their spiritual walks. They also encourage the members to get involved in service and provide time during the Sabbath hours and the week for ministry.

CKYC is an English speaking church that rents the Fellowship hall of the Collegedale Korean Adventist Church. CKYC is a partners with the Korean Church in matters of fellowship and ministry but independent in services and leadership. This provides for interaction with people of different cultures, ages and mind-sets. From caving to eating delicious Korean food, the fellowship experiences may well be remembered for life.

The church services are comprised of Bible study with a focus on prayer and God's character. Every Tuesday night there is a prayer meeting at the church that focuses on our need to advance forward on "our knees," exploring how prayer is a communica-

tion with the Father through the Son and the Holy Spirit. On Sabbath, the service is focused on God in our lives and recognizing His leading as a way to understand His character. The music team does an assortment of songs but maintains a praise and worship style.

CKYC is planning the biggest ministry of the year for during spring break: a mission trip to the Dominican Republic. In March they are going to begin another important outreach opportunity that involves all local students: a series of evangelistic meetings. Whether a student at Southern or one of the other universities in this area, all are welcome to participate in this evangelistic adventure. The meetings will be held at CKYC from March 24 - April 4.

To Pyo Hong, a Southern student and youth pastor of CKYC, will be holding classes on giving Bible stud-

ies. Classes are set to begin soon, and door-to-door work has already begun. CKYC realizes the value of preparation and they pray this will be a successful soul-winning endeavor for God. Elise LaPlant is the outreach coordinator and she may be contacted for information on how you can be a part of bringing souls to Christ through His ministry of love, even here on our campus (you may e-mail Elise at elaplant@southern.edu for more information).

If you are looking for a worship experience with some key differences—such as easy involvement, Sabbath school and church together, ministry and fellowship, prayer meeting, cultural environment and food—then come to the Collegedale Korean Youth Church. It is a real church for empowered youth.

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NY Yankees sign A-Rod

JEFF LAMBERT
SPORTS REPORTER

After three consecutive seasons without a championship, The New York Yankees decided to pull the trigger on a move that will go down in baseball history as the greatest trade since the swap for Babe Ruth. Second baseman Alfonso Soriano and a player to be named later are headed to the Texas Rangers in exchange for MVP Alex Rodriguez.

Do the Yankees, who now have a higher payroll than the state of North Dakota, have the 2004 championship locked up? On paper, the Yanks have a lineup that could be mistaken for an all-star team, but every team has their Achilles heel, and the boys from the Bronx have quite a few.

Let's start off with A-Rod, said to be the best shortstop in the game today, both offensively and defensively. The only problem is that the best shortstop in baseball isn't playing shortstop, he's playing third base! Third base is the house next door to the party, and A-Rod will probably get bored there halfway through the season. As soon as Jeter comes down with an injury, you can bet A-Rod will play all out to get back to shortstop. Folks, I don't think team captain Derek Jeter will be willing to come back and simply just move over to third base.

Speakin' of shaky chemistry, when you have eight guys in a clubhouse who have been an all-star at one point in their career, there's going to be a lot of pride and personal glory to put aside. The ego epidemic happened to the New York Rangers, it's happening to the Los Angeles Lakers, and the conditions are ripe for a fall-out for the pin-stripes.

The biggest bump in New York's road to the World Series is in their starting pitching personnel. There isn't anyone in their rotation, with the exception of Mike Mussina, that would even scare the Detroit Tigers! You ask any baseball guru, pitching wins championships, and the Yanks simply don't have that this year. Can all these issues be overcome? Sure, but don't count on it.

SPORTS

Sophomores survive in Rees final

Men's Rees Series Final

MARK GUNTHER
STAFF WRITER

This sports year, including the recent Super Bowl, might just be the year of the comeback if Saturday night's Men's Rees Series final is any indicator. The sophomore and senior All-Stars took to the hardwood in a battle to hoist the championship trophy in front of a "sellout" crowd at Iles gym. Both teams seemed poised to take control of the game, sending a message of who really is the team to beat this year. The game would eventually turn into a "Can You Top This" contest, leaving the crowd amazed.

The sophomore and senior teams both started with a defense-oriented game plan with each team employing zone defenses and penetration offenses. The seniors had a taller, slower squad overall and hashed the ball inside relentlessly. Opportunities opened up for the sophomore transition game to produce baskets off of fast break and second-chance opportunities on the offensive boards. The



Photo by Melissa Pajc

L-R: Ryan Lucht, Donnie Miller, Edwin Urbina and Aaron Wilson fight for the ball Saturday night.

seniors' main undoing was their lack of a post presence for much of the first half, allowing the sophs to open an eight-point lead at the half-time break, 40-32.

Edwin Urbina and Sean Thorne, who are this sports-writer's choice for co-MVP honors with 26 and 24 points respectively for the game, drove the offense for much of the first half. But in the second half, a breakdown in the sophomores' defensive scheme

allowed the seniors to claw back into the game.

By the 4:30 mark, the seniors had opened up a five-point lead and seemed to finally be defensively sound in their high zone defense. Just when it appeared that sophomores were out of luck, Ryan Lucht hit a game-tying 3 point shot, capping a small but important fight back with 45 seconds remaining. Then, with just one second left, an inadvertent foul by the seniors

gave the sophomores the one opportunity they needed to win the game.

Despite the so-called Matt Harlow, Donnie Miller and Tad Wilson for the seniors, they lost 79-78 as the sophomores emerged as the 2003-2004 Rees Series champions!

Women's Rees series exciting

JUELLE JAMES
ASSISTANT STAFF WRITER

The Women's Rees Series was the best and most exciting. The juniors had a good fight for their win when they played the freshman team on Saturday night. The score was 54-45.



Photo by Melissa Pajc
Becky Cary greets the junior rivals at the start of the Rees Series Saturday night.

A CD of Faith Hill singing the national anthem started the game. Alicia Lascelles, freshman, scored the first point of the game and went on to score twenty-six more points throughout the game. Casey Wright scored the first two points for the juniors with 15:14 left to play in the game. The freshmen's zone defense caused many turnover plays made by the juniors, allowing the freshmen to keep a close game. The first half came to a close with the freshmen ten points behind the juniors, 27-17.

Halftime had numerous activities, games and prizes for the crowd to get involved. Such prizes won include a stereo-system, southern gear, hands-free phones and basketballs.

The second half began with

the freshmen making the first board. The juniors' defense still was a little shaky in the beginning of the second half. With 11:25 left in the game, the freshmen took the lead 36-32, forcing the juniors to take a time out. Determination to win was seen when the juniors came out on the court from their time out. Their tighter defense began to gradually shut down the freshmen's offense. Kelly Mittan stole the ball and helped increase the juniors, score, 40-39.

With 7:42 left in the game, Lascelles stole the ball closing the juniors lead to one, 43-42. During the last four minutes of the game, the freshmen were only able to score three more points. The juniors scored eleven more to win the game, 54-45.

The player that had the most boards all game was freshmen Alicia Lascelles.

Seniors have range!

ETHAN NKANA
SPORTS EDITOR

On Saturday night during half-time of the respective Rees series games, the final round of the men's and women's 3-point shootout was held. The preliminary round was held on Wednesday evening and those with the highest scores advanced to the final round.

The women's competition featured seven contestants including defending champion Kelly Mittan. Senior Rachel Snider hit 10 shots from beyond the arc to win the competition. Sophomores Lisa Sannes and Junior Carzaz Rusk tied for second place, making seven shots each.

In the men's contest junior Rob Quigley looked to take home his second consecutive 3-point shooting title. Quigley, who is arguably the best set shooter in the school, only made five of 15 attempts. Senior Adam Brown won the competition with a score of 14. Senior Aaron Parker knocked down 11 shots placing second.



the campus Chatter

Week of: February 24 - March 18

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

8:30 pm SA Talent Show Auditions (Wood)
7:00 pm Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

7:00 pm SA Senate (White Oak Room)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26

12:00 am College Bowl (Iles)
5:00 pm McKee Library Closed

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27

6:34 pm Sunset

SPRING BREAK (27 - Mar. 7)

No Classes

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28

9:00 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
10:00 am The Third - Mike Fulbright (Ackerman)
11:30 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 29

Adventist Student Personnel Association Convocation (Feb. 29 - Mar. 3)

MONDAY, MARCH 1

TUESDAY, MARCH 2

8:30 am - 5:00 pm McKee Library Open
5:00 pm Midterm grades due, Verified (Records Office)
6:00 pm Tornado Siren Test

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3

THURSDAY, MARCH 4

8:30 am - 5:00 pm McKee Library Open

FRIDAY, MARCH 5

6:40 pm Sunset
Payday
Offices Closed

SATURDAY, MARCH 6

9:00 am Collegedale Church Service
10:00 am The Third (Ackerman)
12:30 am Collegedale Church Service

SUNDAY, MARCH 7

8 - 11:00 pm McKee Library Open
Student Wellness Week (8-13)

MONDAY, MARCH 8

8:30 pm Academic Affairs
PRAXIS Exams, Student Center

TUESDAY, MARCH 9

7:00 pm Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)
Sooner Sign-ups

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10

7:00 pm SA Senate (White Oak Room)

THURSDAY, MARCH 11

12:00 am Convocation - Student Wellness: Robert Fellows (Iles)

FRIDAY, MARCH 12

7:45 pm SA Senate Pancake Feed (Promenade)
6:46 pm Sunset
6:00 pm Vespers - Student Wellness (Church)
8:10 pm Reflections Cafe

SATURDAY, MARCH 13

9:00 am Collegedale Church Service
10:00 am The Third (Iles)
11:30 am Collegedale Church Service
12:30 pm Advent Home
5:00 pm Room in the Inn
6:30 pm Evensong (Church)
9:00 pm Almost Anything Goes Party (Iles)

SUNDAY, MARCH 14

6:00 pm Symphony Guild Dinner Concert (Dining Hall)

MONDAY, MARCH 15

3:30 pm University Senate

TUESDAY, MARCH 16

11:45 am Tornado Siren Test
7:00 pm Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)
7:30 pm Westminster Church - Double Convocation Credit (Church)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

THURSDAY, MARCH 18

10:30 - 11:00 am Fair Booths Open
11:00 am Convocation - Health Career Fair (Iles)
12:00 - 1:30 pm Fair Booths Open
2 - 5:00 pm Meet the Firms (Church Fellowship Hall)
Last day to drop a class & automatically receive a "W"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GENERAL

SENIORS: If you are planning to graduate this May or July and haven't filled out the yellow senior application please stop by Records Office immediately and do so; otherwise, your cap & gown cannot be ordered. If you have any questions call Sharon Rogers at ext. 2896 or e-mail her at srogers@southern.edu

CLUBS & DEPARTMENTS

CPR for the Professional Rescuer Lifeguard CHALLENGE (For Lifeguards who need to renew their CPR certificate) Sunday, Mar. 28 11:00 a.m. Free to SAU Students.
Lifeguard CHALLENGE (For Lifeguards who need to renew their Lifeguard

Certificate) Sunday: Apr. 4 10:00 a.m.

SWIM MEET All Comers vs. WSI ClassThurs., Apr. 29 12:00 noon.

Events:

-100 yd Back Crawl
-100 yd Breast Stroke
-100 yd Freestyle
-50 yd Butterfly
-200 yd Freestyle Relay
-200 yd Medley Relay
Contact Dr. Bengie if interested or have questions: Phone #: 238-2855 e-mail: rbenge@southern.edu

A special induction ceremony will be held for those students being inducted into PSI CHI, the national boomer society for psychology students. All are invited to attend, and a reception will follow immediately afterwards. Induction will be held Sunday, March 21, at 7:30 pm.

All PSI CHI members must log 8 hours of community service in order to keep your status!!! There is still time...if you have questions please contact a PSI CHI officer.

Volunteers are still needed for ESL program at Collegedale Church. For more information, please contact Dr. WilliamsMorris, ext. 2758.

STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Strawberry Festival: We have some ideas that we need people to shoot short video segments for the show. Contact Will at 2678 or wbbaynal@southern.edu.

Executive Officer Applications for Executive Secretary, Executive Finance Director, Assistant Finance Director, Public Relations Director, Parliamentarian and Communications Director will be available at the SA office beginning Wednesday, February 25. The applications will be due back at the SA office on Wednesday, March 10 at noon.

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Top performers compete Saturday

AMBERLEA SMITH
STAFF WRITER

This weekend's SA talent show will feature Saturday Night Live-type skits along with Southern's finest musical talent. The show gets underway at 9 p.m. in the Iles P.E. Center.

Organizers say it will be an unforgettable night filled with surprises, outstanding entertainment, and comedy that will leave you roaring with laughter.

"The program will include 12 acts with SNL-style skits in between each performance," said Thomas Westworth, SA Social Vice President.

Cash prizes will be awarded for the three best acts as well as one for best of show.

Some of the acts include Aaron Roche's guitar/vocal, a comedy routine by Zack McDonald and Nataniel Reyes, vocal and sign language performance by Melissa Taylor and Matt Hafner's musical stylings on his bass guitar.

Auditions were held in Ackerman Auditorium Feb. 24. Among the 16 auditions was a riveting piano solo, a blues guitar and vocal and a humorous sketch from the movie "Liar Liar."

The show's final line-up was selected by a screening committee made up of 10 professors from the school of music, Dr. Scott Ball and Ken Parsons, screening professor Pam Ahlfeld, Karl Schultz, director of student life and Westworth.

The performers came on stage, described the act, told the committee what they needed from the AV department and then performed. After each act, Westworth told performers he would notify them if they made the cut.

"The committee gives their recommendation on the performances; the overall decision is Thomas's," Ball said. "The committee also tries to ensure a variety of acts will be in the show,"

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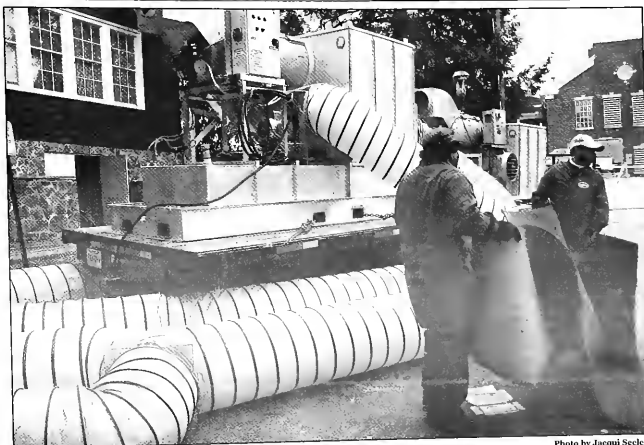


Photo by Jacqui Seely

Labor Ready employees Allen Gordon, left, and Robert Holmes haul damaged carpet from Lynn Wood Hall before Spring Break. In the background a desiccant dehumidifier pumps dry air in while a vacuum sucks out most air.

Fire forces Audio-Visual to move.

SARA BANDEL
STAFF WRITER

Lynn Wood Hall's chapel will be out-of-order for at least six months, say Southern officials.

Not only did the building's Feb. 19 fire close the chapel to campus events, it also forced the university's audio-visual department to relocate.

It's new location: 5061 Industrial Drive, the old American Engineering building across the street from the granite statue. Even before the fire, university officials had planned to move AV to this location.

The inside of the American Engineering building is still unfinished. "We are still waiting for Ethernet and phone service," Hourinouchi said.

Office workers are using two cell phones until permanent lines are installed.

Currently, AV workers have been checking equipment. Some valuable items were ruined by water.

The fire set off about half of the sprinklers in the Lynn Wood Hall chapel. Causing water to soak down to the basement where AV was located.

Even though everything in his office that wasn't in file cabinets got wet, including two computers and a laptop.

"We are still trying to maintain service to Southern's campus," Hourinouchi, said.

Michael Younkin, an AV student worker, retrieved a large amount of equipment from the buildings basement before it got

wet.

"I saw water coming down from the ceiling tiles," Younkin said.

Hourinouchi is thankful that his quick thinking crew was able to salvage the gear before it was too late.

Southern officials are unsure about how much it will cost to replace the damaged equipment, but it could be anywhere from \$20-30,000, Hourinouchi said.

The AV coordinator said the fire has been stressful and thanked President Bietz for his help.

However, Lynn Wood Hall did not sustain any serious structural damage, said Fred Turner, Southern's corporate architect. But parts of the first floor and the

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Photo by Jacqui Seely

Andrew University student Kelly McWilliams looks in the breeze outside during her spring break.

"We must be the great
 arsenal of democracy."
 -Franklin D. Roosevelt in a Fireside
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added Ahlfeld.

Media production students in the School of Journalism and Communication will provide image magnification for the show. The images will be captured by the school's new Sony DXC-D35 digital studio cameras. The big screens will also feature lower third graphics to identify the performers.

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entire third floor are being gutted and repaired.

Another area damaged by water was the Heritage Museum's workroom, also in the basement.

"Some paintings got wet, but nothing that could not be replaced," said Helen Durieck, associate vice president of financial administration.

Once repairs are complete, the School of Nursing will use the first floor temporarily while the addition to Herin Hall is worked on, Turner said.

In addition, the counseling and testing center will move from McKee Library to the top floor of Lynn Wood Hall, he added.

The University also plans to install an elevator in the 80-year-old building.

'Angel in Chains' debuts



Photo by Scott Fogg

Southern's name graces the marquis of the Tivoli as a packed audience watches the premier of "Angel in Chains," Thursday, March 11.

ELI COUROY
STAFF WRITER

Over 1,500 people attended the premier of "Angel in Chains" at the Tivoli Theatre in downtown Chattanooga Thursday night.

"I felt like I was at a Hollywood movie premier," said Damien Roberts, junior character animation major.

The evening began with an introduction from the president of Southern, Gordon Bietz, and the mayor of Chattanooga, Bob Corker.

"The Making of Angel in Chains" was shown followed by

a live performance of Baillie and the Boys playing songs from the film. After the ending credits of "Angel in Chains," everyone who was involved in making the film was introduced as he or she walked on stage. The three main actors of the film also attended the premier.

"The whole experience was very surreal and all of us who were involved are very grateful for this opportunity," said Nathan Huber, senior film major and director of the film. "We are all very anxious to begin work on the next film."

Angel in Chains is the sec-

ond film by the school of visual art and design's film students. It was shot on location in Arizona last summer. The film is based on a true story about a leader of a biker gang who has a life changing experience through the acceptance of a young girl.

"Angel in Chains" is significant as a film for several reasons," said Wayne Hazen, dean of the school of visual art and design. It speaks to the non-church in a very unique way by showing how the faith of a child has the ability to help adults make positive decisions in life and to forgive.

New housing arrangements in place

ANDY WLASNIEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

Seniors may be disappointed to learn that there will be even less room for them in Southern Village next fall. This year, five of the Southern Village apartments were available to seniors, but next fall that number will be reduced to three: two men's and one women's.

Dennis Negron, assistant men's dean, is in charge of the housing situation for both men and women on campus. "We're trying to get students to realize that the sole purpose for building Southern Village was for married student housing," Negron said. "Last year we had to turn away 69 families who wanted to live on campus."

The new addition to Talge Hall is meant to alleviate some of the pressure that is resulting from rising enrollment. "We always knew we would have to add on to Talge, or something of that nature," Negron said.

With the expansion, all the meo will be moved out of Thatcher South and into Talge.

But there may be a case similar to Thatcher South in the future. "If the need arises, we may dedicate one of the floors on the Talge addition to women's housing," Negron said.

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New foreign languages offered

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STAFF WRITER

Mandarin Chinese and Russian are being offered next fall by the modern language department.

Students can take these languages without worrying about it being a waste of money and credits. Elementary Chinese and Russian will fulfill D-1 requirements that every student needs.

Carlos Parra, chair of the modern language department, said the department is exploring languages that have been and said that there has been quite a bit of student interest.

If the languages are met with enthusiasm and good enrollment, the department will continue to offer them. If interest is high, in the future the school could offer international studies with an emphasis in Chinese.

According to Parra, Mandarin

Chinese and Russian are becoming two very useful languages to know for business and evangelism. Students in international business can learn languages that will help them in the future to international job positions. Students who wish to become evangelists will no longer have to depend on a translator.

Michelle Hume, a freshman social work major, said, "I think it is very good that they [the modern language department] are broadening their scope. It is very good for the business world. The Chinese are a formidable force in the business market and it is unrealistic to think of English as the common language among countries."

The modern language department is looking into being affiliated with the Adventist colleges in Hong Kong and Kiev, Ukraine.

The department has already obtained professors for the two

new languages. Magdalena Jesiak, who is from Poland and has a masters in Russian, will be teaching elementary Russian. Jesiak will also teach some Russian culture along with the language.

"You cannot teach language without culture," said Jesiak. Phoebe Gray, who is a Russian national and has a Ph.D. in applied languages, will teach Mandarin Chinese.

Russian will be taught next night's a week and Chinese will be taught one night a week. Parra said the department is excited about offering these new languages and hopes this project will take off.

Students interested in learning Russian can meet with Magdalena Jesiak and the Russian club to learn about Russia and have questions answered on Sunday, April 4, 7:30 p.m. in room 114 in Dunwoody Hall.

English honors club inducts members

JULY CLIPPINGER
CHIEF CONTRIBUTOR

Southern Adventist University's chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, the English honor society, will induct new members on April 15, 2004. There will probably be three new inductees, says Dr. Wilma McClarty, English department chair and Sigma Tau Delta sponsor. Two members will be graduating this spring, and the chapter is in the process of ordering medallions and cords for them.

Right now what we're trying to figure out some communication activities to do," historian Heidi Martella said. Members will be reading to preschoolers at the Chambliss Home on Community Service Day, April 8, McClarty said.

"Another thing that we're trying to do right now is put together a constitution," Martella added. The constitution has been approved by the officers and will be presented to the full membership for ratification at the April 15 meeting, Dr. McClarty said.

Sigma Tau Delta recently sponsored a trip to see best-selling poet and author Maya Angelou at Memorial Auditorium on February 25.

"People need to hear [Angelou]. She's an event in herself," McClarty said.

Previously, the chapter sponsored a showing of the film "Thelma & Louise" at Rock Hall. Approximately 15 to 20 people attended, Martella said.

Southern's chapter of the International English Honor Society was initiated on campus last year, Dr. McClarty said.

Students who apply must be

English majors or minors, have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale and a minimum cumulative grade of B (3.0) in English. They must also have completed at least three semesters of college courses and two college courses in English beyond the freshman requirements. A faculty committee considers each application and informs the student of their decision. For those who are accepted, there is a one-time international induction fee of \$37.

According to the organization's official website, www.english.org, there are over 600 active chapters worldwide, and over 7,000 new members are inducted annually.

JODI HEROD

STAFF WRITER

The Bel Cantos women's choir, directed by Julie Penner, was given the opportunity to sing for a series of evangelistic meetings in the U.S. Virgin Islands over spring break. One of the choir members, Verla Van Lange, is from St. Croix and assisted in making the tour arrangements.

Fund raising began first semester with a letter-writing campaign and continued second semester with a series of performances at various churches where love offerings were taken.

The cost included a \$560 plane ticket plus the cost of food and other transportation. In the end, 14 out of 18 girls were able to go on the trip.

When the plane touched down at the St. Thomas airport on Wednesday afternoon, the

Southern offers photography concentration next fall

JACQUI SEELEY

STAFF WRITER

Students are excited that Southern will offer a new photography concentration and minor next semester in the B.S. Mass Communication degree. Photography will join five existing concentrations in Mass Communication: advertising, media production, public relations, web publishing, and writing and editing.

"We are finally on our way to having a photography program," said Marcella Colburn, senior mass communication major.

The new concentration in Mass Communication will replace the current visual communication concentration and minor. The emphasis would move from video to still photography without adding classes,

said Dr. Volker Henning, Dean of the School of Journalism and Communication. "It's a repackaging of the visual communication program," Dr. Henning said. "If the demand is high, we may add another class and get another adjunct."

Southern currently offers Intro to Photography, Digital Imaging and Lighting classes taught by adjunct professor Chris DiCicco, who has an M.F.A. in photography. Advanced Photography focuses on color photojournalism and is taught by Billy Weeks, adjunct professor and the director of photography and graphics at "The Chattanooga Times Free Press". Advanced students are using new Canon Digital Rebel cameras this semester, allowing students to spend minimal time

in the classroom.

The program includes an optional directed study that allows students to work individually with working photographers and photojournalists. The new program is similar to what other universities offer in the field of photojournalism, said Dr. Henning.

"For the past two years, on every recruiting trip, photography is one of the highest areas of interest," said Janita Herod, office manager of the School of Journalism and Communication. "Students are interested in pursuing a career that includes photography and photojournalism."

"If [the school] had done this five years ago, I would have taken it," Colburn said.

Bel Canto sings in the islands

choir was greeted by sun, blue skies and eighty-degree weather. Sunglasses were pulled out of backpacks and tennis shoes were traded for flip-flops. Video cameras began to roll even before the taxis took everyone into the town of Charlotte Amalie.

That evening, the choir took the St. Croix Fast Fiery to Christiansted, St. Croix. Though it was nearly dark, the clear, blue-green color of the water still amazed everyone. For most of the two-hour ride, the boat averaged 70 mph, said one of the crew members. For half of the time all 14 choir members were standing at the bow of the boat gazing to the railing. Despite the fierce wind, most enjoyed riding the waves.

"The Fast Fiery was one of my favorite parts of the trip," said Stephanie Schleifer, freshman

music performance major. "It was especially fun the first time. When I jumped up, the wind would make me feel like I was flying."

The week on St. Croix was spent singing for the tent meetings in Christiansted and the Adventist school, which included children ages pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. The choir also sang at six different churches back-to-back on Sabbath.

In addition to many singing appointments, time was made for visiting the beach and also for several afternoons of shopping in Christiansted and Frederiksted. The beach was the most popular destination. Everyone was anxious to spend time working on tans and swimming in the beautiful, crystal-clear water.

The choir spent the last three

days of the tour back on St. Thomas, where the members were divided up to stay with local host families. For most of the girls, staying with host families was a fun experience.

"The church members on the island were very hospitable," said Marcella Colburn, senior mass communications major. "I felt very comfortable and at home with my host family."

"I don't want to leave yet," said Daisy Serrano, sophomore music major. "The Virgin Islands rock, even though I'm going home sunburned."

As everyone gathered together for prayer before leaving the Atlanta airport for Collegegate that night, Mrs. Penner summed up the trip by saying, "I could never have asked for a better first tour."

Relief for overcrowded nursing majors

MALESHA WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Southern is planning to expand Herin Hall due to its overflow in nursing students and related space.

The \$3 million expansion and renovation process is expected to be in June 2004. The focus of the campaign is "New Dimensions for Healing." So far, \$110 has been contributed to the campaign, and pledges, according to University Board of Trustees report. Also, alumni and

Southern's financial offices will aid with funds for the project.

"A renovated and larger facility will enhance the ability of the School of Nursing to provide Christian education in an environment that is conducive to learning," said L. Phil Hunt, dean of the School of Nursing.

The School of Nursing has over 400 majors and only two classrooms.

The addition will include a new entrance and foyer, a new gable roof and new windows. The construction adds a 90-seat

amphitheater classroom too, according to the Board of Trustees report.

A two-story addition will connect to the west side of the building that will include two additional classrooms, one seminar room, an undergraduate student center, a graduate student center, larger faculty and administrative offices, a handi-cap access with an elevator, larger skills laboratory and a seminar room and office for the tutorial program the School of Nursing has, said

Hunt.

The expansion and renovation process will take two years, and should be completed by summer 2006.

The skills laboratory also needs additional room for beds and facilities where students can develop their skills before going to clinical facilities.

"I think the expansion would be very effective because it will provide better learning facilities so when we [Nursing majors] go to clinics, we will be better prepared," said Thea Powell, sopho-

more nursing major.

"The Learning Resource Center could use more computer stations with better access to computer assisted instruction, videos and other materials as well," Hunt said. "A renovated and larger nursing educational facility will be more attractive to potential students. The School of Nursing to function more effectively with the majority of nursing classes held in Herin Hall."

Mass murder suspect not an Adventist, says N.A.D.

DON CANTRELL
News Editor

Nine counts of murder have been filed against California resident, Marcus Wesson in connection with what police call the worst mass-murder in Fresno's history. Family members say Wesson is a Seventh-Day Adventist.

Authorities discovered a gruesome scene Friday evening upon arriving at Wesson's home. Officers saw Wesson exit the home, covered with blood and took him into custody without incident. While searching the home, trying to determine the source of the blood covering Wesson's clothing, police found nine bodies piled on top of each other in Wesson's bedroom. The nine victims ranged in age from one to twenty-four years old.

Some of Wesson's family members have come forward to defending him, including his son. The two have not seen each other in more than a year.

"He was a good father. He wasn't abusive at all," Dorian

Wesson told the Los Angeles Times. "He belongs to the Seventh Day Adventist [Church] and writes books too."

The North American Division of the Seventh Day Adventist Church has issued a statement regarding the murders on its website and denies that Wesson is a church member.

"Some news reports have referred to Marcus Wesson as being a Seventh-day Adventist. That is incorrect. We cannot find any record of Mr. Wesson's being a member of any Seventh-day Adventist church."

Fox News reported that Wesson is believed to have fathered children with six women, including two of his own daughters. When a local real estate agent first encountered Wesson and sold him a house, he had four women with him and appeared to be intimate with all of them. Neighbors said they all slept in a tool shed behind the house.

NEWS

Arriving: From the Top

MARANATHA HAY
Stacy Wright

Top rated show and national radio program "From the Top" will be hosted by Southern's radio station, WSMC, March 30th at the UTC Fine Arts Center.

Because the show will be coming to Chattanooga, the majority of performers have been selected from the Tenn. area.

"From the Top" is a national radio program known for featuring young classical musicians, ages 9-18. The performers are chosen after submitting a tape or CD with two musical selections from four to six minutes each, which is then judged by "From the Top" staff.

But the young musicians aren't only selected for their extreme talent.

"We look for kids who are disciplined, passionate, and focused but who also lead normal lives. They balance practicing their instruments with homework, dating, and sports, and our audiences find that inspiring," said David Balsom, marketing director of "From the Top" in an interview done

THOSE WHO WILL BE PERFORMING:

16-year old guitarist Alan Shikoh from Signal Mountain, TN. Will be performing Dyen's "Valse en Skai"

17 year-old Andrew Rosenblum from Potomac MD. Will perform Beethoven's Sonata Op. 19 on piano.

17 year-old Charles Guan, a violinist from Knoxville TN Performing Paganini's Cantabile in D major

17 year-old flutist Brittany Vogt from Johnson City, TN Performing Faure's Sicilienne

17 year-old Edward Merrett, a double bass player from Pittsburgh Performing Bottesini's Elegy in D major

by WSMC.

The show, modeled after radio programming of old, promises to be entertaining.

"It's a radio show. There are interviews, and games. In that way it's geared toward a younger audience," said Diana Fish, development director for WSMC. It will also include live performances and dynamic

announcing done by Chris O'Reilly, acclaimed concert pianist.

"From the Top" will be held at the UTC Fine Arts Center, March 30th, 7:30 P.M. Tickets are \$10 for students. For further information, please call the UTC Fine Arts Center box office at 425-4269.

Meet the Firms brings job opps

RENIE WILLIAMS
Stacy Wright

Students have an opportunity to connect with potential employers Thursday afternoon at Meet the Firms.

At Meet the Firms, representatives from a variety of businesses set up booths in Collegedale Church's fellowship hall.

Students wear business clothes and bring their resumes to network and to look for internships and permanent positions.

"You just talk with the people there and see what it's like to work at their company," said Kendy Smith, junior computer systems administration major. "This is basically just meeting people so that through meeting them, you can maybe get a job."

The first Meet the Firms was held in 2001. Verlyne Starr, assistant professor in the School of Business and Management, began to lay the groundwork for the event. At the same time, Lezlee Walters was developing contacts for internships in the school of computing.

When Walters and Starr happened to discuss their activities with each other, they decided to combine their efforts, and "Meet

the Firms was born," Starr said.

The meeting now takes place every semester, and the School of Journalism and Communication and the School of Nursing have joined the team that sponsors the event.

Meet the Firms gives students the chance to practice networking and interviewing skills.

"Networking is a critical part of getting an internship or a job," Starr said.

One student who left her resume with a representative from USXpress at last year's Meet the Firms later received a letter from the company encouraging her to talk with the USXpress representative at the Next Meet the Firms, Starr said. "This is the kind of networking that is so valuable," she added.

According to Walters, students need to practice looking for a job.

"Job acquisition is a skill in itself," Walters said. She stressed that employers want to know that students have what it takes. They want to know that potential employees have the skills and abilities needed for the job.

"They want it all. Students should be prepared to deliver," Walters said.

Nursing program founder passes away

DON CANTRELL
News Editor

Early in the morning of March 3, Mazie Herin, who started Southern's BS Nursing program, died in her sleep.

Herin, who the nursing program's Herin Hall is named after, started the program in 1956. Phil Hunt, Dean of the

School of Nursing, said Herin devoted her life to working for the church in nursing service and education.

Hunt visited Herin at her home last month.

"Mazie's mind was sharp and clear. She asked many pertinent questions about our nursing programs here at SAU and said that she would like to visit our cam-

pus once again, but failing health would not allow her to travel," Hunt said.

"I'm very sorry to hear of the loss," said Jaclyn Ford, who is enrolled in the BS Nursing program. "I am proud to be a part of the legacy she leaves of teaching others how to heal with Christian ideals."

New Wellness Center In Progress

BRIAN MAGSIPCO
Stacy Wright

The School of Physical Education and Wellness will be moving into a more modern facility in the near future. The center for wellness will attach to and enlarge the gymnasium, adding much needed classrooms and offices for faculty.

"It's an academic and a university-wide health and recreation center," said Carolyn Hamilton, vice president of advancement. The fitness area would be increased, including a weight training area, an indoor track, a gymnastics area, and a therapy pool in addition to the existing pool, said Hamilton.

The project is currently focused on gathering funds to

put toward the total cost of 5.6 million dollars.

Through pledges, gifts, and donations, the money is being gathered. The Committee of 100 has pledged one million dollars to date, and pledges from alumni as well as outside grants are being looked into.

"We are looking at every possible avenue for gifts," said Hamilton.

The date for this facility's groundbreaking and opening are still in question.

"We really can't start construction until we have at least half of what we need," said Hamilton. "We're under 1.5 million at this point."

The center for wellness is a valuable addition to the universi-

ty's facilities. The current gym which has no classrooms, forces classes to meet in the lobby. The Gymnastics are also forced to use half of the main floor as practice space, leaving only two basketball courts.

"We're definitely short on space," said Hamilton. "Some of them [faculty offices] are in converted closets, an expansion of the physical education and wellness school has been necessary for a number of years."

The future center for wellness will allow the university to live up to its mission statement of being a life of wellness.

"We look at it as a center of life for the whole campus, in addition to being an academic center," Hamilton said.

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CD of the month: Paul Wright, 'Fly Away'

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Christian music nowadays has been picking up momentum. No longer is it a genre that appeals only to the over 40 crowd. Christian music has broken into mainstream culture and is slowly gaining influence, giving competition to secular artists.

Paul Wright is a newcomer from South Beach, California who is currently on tour with rising Christian stars Kutless and Sidewalk Slam. He was recently signed by the heavyweight Christian label Gotee Records, who represents popular artists such as Grits, Toby Mac, and Relient K. His debut single "Your Love Never Changes" is currently #1 on TVU's Ten Most Wanted Videos.

On his debut album, "Fly Away", Paul focuses his lyrics mainly on the day-to-day struggle of the Christian walk. In his song "Crashing Down,"

Wright sings "...under the pressure temptations rise, your Word is a treasure your Son is life..."

His musical style reflects the sound of great bands like Sublime and 311 and has the singer/songwriter passion of artists like Jack Johnson and Ben Harper. The lyrics are deep, the beats are catchy and mood is simply uplifting. He describes his music style by saying, "I listen to hip-hop, reggae, alternative rock, old school jazz, and the rest and it's all absorbed into my music."

I had the pleasure of meeting Paul Wright after his show at Club Fathom, and let me tell you, I've never met a nicer guy who is serious about his witness for God through music. So support his cause and check out his album at any CD store or listen to the songs on his website at PaullyPaul.com. This is Lambo, I'm out!

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

Musical monarchs of Tennessee

NICKY REYNOLDS
CHATTANOOGA VISITOR BUREAU

Throughout the centuries, the fabric of American culture has seen dramatic change. In the last century, perhaps no greater changes have been made than in the music industry. From blues to bluegrass to down-home country music, Tennessee women have been impacting the music world for generations.

In a one-room shack on the outskirts of downtown Chattanooga, Bessie Smith made her way up the charts and into the hearts of Americans everywhere. Despite those humble beginnings, Bessie Smith became a legendary figure whose unique ability to combine the sounds of blues and jazz secured her place as one of the most important women in the history of American music. The "Empress of the Blues," as she became known, was at one time the highest paid African-American singer in the land, making over \$2,000 per week. Although she began her career singing on the streets of Chattanooga, Smith had higher

aspirations. In 1923, her release of "Down Hearted Blues" was a runaway hit, selling 750,000 records in its first year. Such success was virtually unknown at that time.

Her soulful performances, her moving lyrics and her wild lifestyle helped Smith's reputation grow throughout the mid-1920s. Her songs, including "Back Water Blues" and "Preachin' the Blues," became classics that are still performed today. Smith's love for the blues provided the inspiration for many musical greats, such as Ella Fitzgerald and Dinah Washington.

Just over the mountains in Northeast Tennessee, Maybelle Carter was helping to create the form of music that has since swept the nation with its rhythmic style and down-home flavor. The roots of Appalachian Country and Bluegrass music run deep in the heart of East Tennessee, and can be traced back nearly a century by touring the birthplace of Country Music Alliance & Museum.

In 1926, the Carter Family, known as the first family of

country music, added a guitar-playing cousin named Maybelle. Adding to their band, Maybelle began playing the guitar at the age of 12, and by the time she joined her Carter cousins, she had developed her own style of picking a melody.

The following year, the Carter family traveled to Bristol, Tennessee and cut their first of 350 records. The Depression caused the Carter's to look for different work, but this singing family was once again on the stage by the late 1930's. Maybelle later began performing with her three daughters as Mother Maybelle and the Carter Sisters on the Grand Ole Opry during the folk revival of the 1960s. The original Carter Family produced what have now become the standards in bluegrass and country music, including songs like the hit "Keep on the Sunny Side."

For more information on these musical monarchs or to order a free Tennessee Vacation Guide, visit www.TNVacation.com or call 800-GO2-TENN.

Bluer Music won't leave you singin' the blues



Owner Mark Horn, left, and store manager Ryan Morgan have owned Bluer Music since October 2002.

ANDY WLASNIEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

You might be a bit surprised when you walk into Bluer Music. As the door shuts behind, the wooden floor creaks under your feet. You notice the rough-hewn log walls. You might expect to see barrels of oats, shovels, penny candy and other things in a typical old country store. But instead, at Bluer Music you will see guitars, amps, PA equipment and many other items that musicians from all over the county come to purchase.

The store is owner Mark Horn's first attempt at a business, and he is pleased at how well it is going. "We started off as an Internet company while we were looking for a store front, and that really helped us get a client base before we even opened," Horn said. The store is designed to cater toward pastors and worship leaders looking to set up praise programs in their church.

The building itself really lends itself to the kind of bluegrass/country musicians the store is catering to. "We were looking for a place to open the shop," said manager Ryan Morgan, "and when this building went up for sale right when we needed it to, we felt that

God was telling us that He had a plan for our store."

Since it opened in October of 2002, Bluer Music has grown. Starting at around ten instrument lessons a week, there are now more than 70 students and the owners plan to add more instruction rooms to accommodate their growing number of students.

Bluer Music hosts concerts about once a month featuring local musicians who want to get exposure. The store has also hosted three benefit concerts for the Samaritan Center, and a concert performed solely by Southern journalism majors.

If you need new strings or if you just want to play a different guitar, Bluer Music is a good place to go. "It's a nice place to just go and hang out and play guitar. They're pretty friendly, and don't chase you off with a broom," said Brian Magsipoc, sophomore journalism major.

To get to Bluer Music, take a right at four corners coming from the university. The store is located on the left, just before you go through the underpass. You can also visit their website at www.bluermusic.com.

Shaun Groves 'Twilight' reviewed

KELLY MCAULIFFE
STAFF WRITER

Previous to this CD, my only exposure to Shaun Groves was his opening act for Jars of Clay, which was quite personable and his songs, while nothing to write home about, were likeable. So, though I didn't have any strong opinions about him, my first impression was a positive one and I was looking forward to listening to his sophomore release.

Sadly, I was disappointed. "Twilight" is a mellow album, featuring several praise anthems that will most likely find their way into the song service repertoire of college campuses in a year or so. His lyrics are sincere and uplifting, but they lack the depth and poetry of Bebo Norman and other Christian singer/songwriters. For the most part, he sticks to the usual "I'm a blank page, show me Your will" mantra, but lacks the brutal

honesty and clever word choice that would make his cuts memorable. It's a nice album, but really, "nice" is just mediocre.

Musically, the album can probably be labeled "adult contemporary." The songs range from your typical radio-ready pop to piano-driven ballads. But again, it's nothing new and nothing terribly spectacular.

To be fair, the album does have its moments. "One of Those Days" is quite catchy and there is a certain power in the simplicity of songs like "Jesus" and "God of Us." In "Need You More," Groves astutely muses, "Lord, I want so many things, but what I need has never changed." "To Be Honest" is a poignant take on the responsibilities of Christian recording artists.

The bottom line: "Twilight" is music for the ride home, best for long drives and the soundtrack to more interesting conversation.

KELLY MCAULIFFE
STAFF WRITER

Theater is alive and well this March, so for those who want to get out of the spring rain and try something a little different, there are plenty of options.

The "Diary of Anne Frank," the true story of a thirteen-year-old Jewish girl during the Holocaust, is playing at the Tennessee Repertory Theatre in Nashville through Sunday, March 21. "When I write, I shake off all my cares," wrote Frank, "but I want more than that. I want to be useful, to bring enjoyment. I want to go on living, even after my death." She certainly has. Tickets range from \$17-\$45 and can be purchased via the internet (www.tprc.org) or by phone (615-255-ARTS). Show times vary.

The Alliance Theatre in downtown Atlanta is currently running two productions. The first, "Leap," is an original, thought-provoking work that asks questions like: What is faith? How do we get it? And how do we hold on to it

in this turbulent world? The play will show through April 11. Prices and show times vary day to day.

The second, "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?," opens March 17 and will run through April 18. This Tony Award winner follows the seemingly docile George and Martha, as their dinner party becomes a batter of wills and wits.

For ticket information regarding either play, visit www.alliancetheatre.org or call 404-733-5000.

The Shakespeare Tavern, also located in Atlanta, is now presenting the classic comedy "A Midsummer Night's Dream." Shakespeare's tale of fairies, confusion and love is a favorite, so don't miss your chance to see it live. The play shows at 7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and 6:30 p.m. Sunday. Student tickets are available for Thursday and Sunday showings at \$10. Regular tickets are priced at \$25. For more information, call 404-874-5299.

Weddings



Matthew Child & Erin Criss

Engaged July 4, 2003

Matthew graduated from Southern in May of 2002 with an AS in Auto Service and in May of 2003 with an AS in Auto Body. Erin is graduating from Southern in May of 2004 with her BS in Nursing.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT

RELIGION

Adventists and 'The Passion of the Christ'

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"The Passion of the Christ," a US \$30 million motion picture telling the story of the last 12 hours of the life and death of Jesus of Nazareth, has already provoked a worldwide discussion about those events and their significance. The film, co-written, produced, funded and directed by actor Mel Gibson, opened in North America on Feb. 25, with a release in Britain one month later. Other worldwide screenings are expected to follow.

The movie has stirred controversy over the way it depicts the Jewish religious leaders of Jesus' day, men who agitated for His crucifixion. Some have derided the portrayal as anti-Semitic, while others, such as Rabbi Daniel Lapan, film critic Michael Melved and Gibson himself say the film harbors no such intent.

Several Seventh-day Adventist media ministry directors, as well as this reporter, were able to view the movie during a private, Feb. 16 screening at the 61st National Religious Broadcasters convention in Charlotte, N.C. We were part of an audience of nearly 3,000 people gathered in a convention hall converted into a ballroom. As the two-hour film concluded near midnight, silence reigned as the crowd as it filed out: apart from some praying silently at their seats, there was no conversation or noise-making of any kind. The graphic, intense nature of the film and its impact precluded normal conversation for several minutes.

"During this private screening of 'The Passion,' we were overwhelmed with the impact, [and] not only on us," said Pastor Lonnie Melashenko, speaker/director of "The Voice of Prophecy," an Adventist radio and television ministry based in Simi Valley, Calif. "It was a profoundly spiritual display, amazingly accurate. I would strongly encourage those involved in the Sow 1 Billion effort to get out to theaters and offer the headlines advertising the 'Discover Bible studies' for those leaving showings of the film," he said.

Melashenko added, "This movie will provide many witnessing opportunities. It's almost providential that it appears during the 'Year of Evangelism' for our church and the Sow 1 Billion campaign."

Pastor John Lomacang, of the Thompsonville Seventh-day Adventist Church in Ill., also attended the NRB convention and the pri-

mate screening. He said the underlying message of the film impressed him most.

"The strongest point for me was that Jesus was bruised for our transgressions," he said the morning after the screening. "If [Mel Gibson] was aiming at accurately depicting Jesus' suffering, he succeeded."

While he might have wanted to see a greater emphasis on Jesus' resurrection, Lomacang said such a turn "might have blotted out of our minds the suffering" of the Nazarene.

He also noted the film's effect on its audience: "It was the most quiet

Manuel Rodriguez, director of the church's Biblical Research Institute.

"Keep in mind that this is a Hollywood production," Dr. Rodriguez, who has not yet seen the film, told ANN. "The producer may be sincere, but there are other issues. Also, [Gibson] has his own theological views," he added.

However, he added, "there is nothing wrong with going to see a movie about Jesus. If it's as loyal as it can be to the Gospel story, there's nothing wrong with watching it. We will have to see how intense this movie is, how loyal it is to the Biblical text."

While Gibson, a "traditionalist" Roman Catholic who personally rejects many of the changes instituted by the Second Vatican Council, said he drew the story from the

Gospel accounts, he also admits that the visions of two Catholic nuns, Anne Catherine Emmerich of France and Spain's Mary of Agreda, influenced his script. In an interview with David Neff, editor-in-chief of Christianity Today magazine, Gibson said "the film is so Marian," in its treatment of Mary,



<http://www.movieforums.com/community/showthread.php?t=623>

the mother of Jesus.

Such elements may be foreign to many viewers. Dr. Rodriguez says that overall, the film will "put Jesus back into the social consciousness of the Western world. All of a sudden people are talking about Jesus' death and what it means."

Dick Duerksen, director for spiritual development at Florida Hospital, also viewed the film at a private screening. "I don't think people should go see the film unless they believe that the Cross is the tipping point of eternity," Duerksen told ANN. "They're going to miss the whole thing."

"What impressed me the most

about the film is the sounds of the audience; 10 minutes into the film, the weeping began and throughout the rest of the film, there were many people weeping, wailing, confessing sins, asking for forgiveness and praising God for His grace," Duerksen added. "It was just overwhelming the way people responded."

Anticipating that the film will "become a subject of conversation" at the Florida Hospital's branches, Duerksen said tickets have been purchased for 50 of its chaplains, to prepare them for discussions with patients and others.

"The movie has stirred controversy over the way it depicts the Jewish religious leaders of Jesus' day."

edit from a film that I have ever experienced."

Though the effect of the movie on audiences is expected to open up opportunities for evangelism, should Adventists dash out to cinemas? Not without considering the film's origins, says Dr. Angel

STEPHEN BAUER
Faculty Contributor

In the March 8, 2004 edition of "Time Magazine," Joe Klein reports on his experience of viewing Mel Gibson's "The Passion of Christ." In Klein's words, "It was a stunning experience in a way that I didn't expect . . . There were gasps and audible sobbing, which continued for some time. But as the torture went on, and on, as Jesus staggered and kicked the Stations of the Cross, punched and kicked and flayed again, the theater fell silent. By the time of the Crucifixion, the audience seemed emotionally exhausted and numbed to the violence. There was no catharsis. I saw only dry eyes when I left. This dispiriting experience was not merely a failure of Mel Gibson's art, but it also seemed evidence of a growing American affliction: we are addicted to the explicit and then quickly injured to it. We are in need of ever more shocking images to stimulate our attention."

Klein's analysis is striking and significant in its diagnosis. His assessment is also amazingly similar to Patrick West's depiction of the current social psyche, in his newly released book, "Conspicuous Compassion." West argues that we are part of a culture of ostentatious caring which is about feeling good, not doing good. "Mourning sickness is a religion . . . its flowers and teddies are its rites, its collective minutes' silences its liturgy and mass." Thus, "The three Cs of modern life—compassion, caring

and crying in public—show not how altruistic we have become, but how selfish."

I suspect that much of the boopla concerning "The Passion" is related to this modern addiction to the shocking, the spectacular and to "mourning" sickness. We are addicted to intensity, to the adrenaline rush. Whether through scary movies, extreme sports or church conflict, this is a generation enamored with ecstasies. The quest for intensity (i.e., pleasure), too easily obliterates the still, small voice of God. "The children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light." Could it be that we Christians need to learn something from Klein and West?

"Mourning" sickness is not a modern phenomenon. Christ confronted the Pharisees for mourning the martyrdom of ancient prophets, even as they were plotting to kill him (Matt. 23:29-32; Luke 11:47-52). "If we had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets." It is easy to mourn one's way into self-righteousness.

If I read my Bible correctly, Christ was silent through the physical torture. That was bearable. But it was being forsaken by His Father that evoked the words, "My God! My God, why have you forsaken me?" (Matt. 27:46). The withdrawal of the divine countenance from the Savior in this hour of supreme anguish pierced His heart with a sorrow that can never be fully understood by man. So great was this agony that His physical pain was

hardly felt." (DA 753)

I think it unlikely that Mel Gibson has captured the true "passion"—in Catholic liturgy "passion" refers not to a dream or goal but to Jesus' physical "suffering"—of Christ rather to this film. Yes, it is said to be historically accurate. Yes, it may cause some to find the Savior and be saved. But for most, it will be the latest jolt to feed their adrenaline addiction, followed by accidental amnesia as new thrills are pursued. Thus Christ's sacrifice for sin will be trivialized and forgotten.

For others, it could be even more dangerous. They will weep buckets of tears and feel all the closer to Jesus, but it will only be all the closer to "mourning" sickness. And like the hired mourners in Scripture, they will feel the virtuous and good about themselves, while being spiritually and emotionally detached. "This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me" (Matt. 23:8). Instead of weeping over the physical suffering of Christ, we would be better off contemplating the enormity of sin and how that burden would ture Jesus. A right understanding of the significance of sin will cause us "godly grief," which produces a repentance that leads to salvation" (2 Cor 7:10).

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The three Cs of modern life—compassion, caring

The United States fulfills prophecy

CORY HERTEL
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Editor's Note: As Seventh-day Adventists, we place a special emphasis on Bible prophecy and the end-time events revealed in Scripture. Revelation chapter 13, in cryptic and symbolic language, paints a picture of the United States' involvement in end-time events. This special understanding helps us as Christians to intelligently love our country while understanding the deleterious role she will play just before the second coming of Christ. In addition to this, Bible prophecy warns us to beware of certain prominent religious figures and systems and the moves they will make to use governments to enforce religious edicts. From this perspective, the author of the following article shares some concerns about current events in light of Bible prophecy.

Since the 2000 presidential election, I have been an avid supporter of our president, George W. Bush. During his campaign to run for president, I felt that he would prove to be a true leader for our country. And I must admit until a week ago, I've had only good things to say about our president.

However, something was brought to my attention that was quite alarming. In fact, I was devastated to hear it. Recently, while giving a speech concerning abortion and education, Bush made a very powerful and potentially "end-time" statement regarding Pope John Paul II. He said "The best way to honor Pope John Paul II, truly one of the great men, is to take his teachings seriously, to listen to his words and put his words and teachings into action here in America. This is a challenge we must accept."

Revelation 13:11-12 states, "Then I saw another beast coming up out of the earth, and he had two horns like a lamb and spoke like a dragon. And he exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence, and causes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed."

In Bush's statement I clearly see our great nation putting the final touches on the very ointment that will be rubbed into the papacy's deadly wound to heal it completely! Soon our country will be implementing the very ideas of the Beast of Revelation as its very own policies and laws. I believe that sooner than we can fathom, the very words of Revelation 13 will become our everyday way of life.

"The time is very near when we will not have the freedom and pleasures that we have now."

George Weigel, author of the papal biography "Witness to Hope," in regards to Bush's statement, said, "I think it suggests the enormous strength of the papacy as a witness to fundamental moral truths and that this is what the world and the Church expect of popes now."

The words spoken by both our president and Weigel are very powerful and monumental. We, as last-day Christians, can see the prophecy unfolding right before our eyes. It is an exciting time to think about.

Yet on the same token, we have to realize that times are going to become treacherous, more unbearable than we have ever imagined before. Jesus has given us warning plenty in advance. He said in Matthew

24:21, "For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be."

However, in the midst of all this, we know that Jesus will be with us until the end of the age (Matthew 28:20). He will not leave us astray. When the hardships come, we can rely fully on Him, and He will be there to protect and guide us. We have no reason to fear, because Christ Himself will comfort us in the darkest of hours.

It is my appeal to all Seventh-day Adventist Christians, now that we are truly on the eve of earth's final days, that we do not lose sight of our focus. We must hold fast to our goal as God's remnant people. The time is very near when we will not have the freedom and pleasures that we have now. The time is coming when the law will state that we must worship the beast's image, but we can rejoice in knowing that as these things come to pass, the closer we are to the coming of our Savior.

Matthew 24:30-31 says, "Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other."

Though political calamity is on the horizon, and our country is heading down a path of sure destruction, we as true witnesses of Christ can boldly say "even so, come quickly Lord Jesus!"

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SM's save malnourished baby

SUSIE SCHOMBURG
STUDENT MISSIONARY

Editor's Note: Susie Schomburg is a Student Missionary stationed in Zambia, Africa. She is, along with Beth Riggsbee, working in a small clinic at the Riverside Farms Institute. Both Susie and Ruth graduated last May with AS degrees in nursing. For more information about the student missions program, visit chaplain.southern.edu.

Myainga was born into a life of poverty destined to be a malnourished child. Weighing only 4.6 kilograms, little Myainga is 17-months-old (normal weight for a child his age is at least 10 kilograms). When we look at him, we see a thin, fragile frame with big, brown glossy eyes staring back at us with an empty gaze. His mother, Loveness, is no longer physically capable of producing the milk necessary to feed her child. Loveness is the third wife in the Chapingiza family. Her husband is her elder by nearly thirty years. The old man battles daily with asthma attacks, which force him to remain at home without work. Loveness consumes her day out in the field with the maize (corn) and bananas, struggling to provide for her family of seven.

The first time we saw Myainga at the clinic, we decided that he would be our mission

baby for the next nine months here in Zambia. Every week we make the six-mile trek over the escarpment and out to the bush village to check on Myainga. On our trips we bring milk powder, bread, bananas, baby clothes and other necessities to aid in Myainga's growth and development. At each visit we teach Loveness about food preparation, cleanliness and exercises for Myainga's limp and non-functioning legs. Teaching is quite a struggle because Loveness is mentally challenged, but with the continual repetition we are breaking through the barriers. When we offer Myainga a banana, he thrusts out his arms and grasps it with his tiny fingers in an attempt to inhale the whole banana in one bite.

How careless we are sometimes with our leftovers, filling our plates with cafeteria food and throwing away a fourth of it because our eyes were bigger than our stomachs. Africa has definitely taught us lessons of appreciation for what we have, and it has allowed us to feel the deep joy that comes from being able to reach out to others. This joy can be found not only in Africa, but in all places when we choose to dedicate our lives to God's service. Whether in the city, at school or work or in a foreign land, God says in Matthew 4:19, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men."

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For Sat. 14th March 2004

Compiled by Sean Reed

Collegedale Community Church	8:30, 10:00, and 11:30
Collegedale Korean Youth Church	11:00
Collegedale Spanish-American Church	9:00 and 12:00 Gio Marin "Jesus' Mission Trip"
Hamilton Community Church	11:30 AM Billy Leveille "From Misery to Majesty"
McDonald Road Church	8:50 and 11:25 AM
Ooltewah Church	8:55 and 11:25
Village Chapel	11:10

To have your church included in the weekly church schedule, e-mail seanreed@southern.edu.

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Letters to the editor

I was there

Dear Editor,
It was more than a heavy silence as the credits began to role. The silence that filled the theater pressed on my heart as every person sat startled and still. As music filled the theater, there was not a word of chit-chat or even a slush of feet moving toward the ramps to exit, witnessed over to my right and witnessed a teenage boy wipe the tears from his cheek, and then he looked across at the other dozen or so teens from his group that were all stunned and moved by what they had just seen.

My husband and I sat there until the screen went to white, black, and then the advertisements slides came on the screen. Everyone sat until the last possible moment, and the theater was packed full. As we walked out among the group I noticed that not a word was uttered. And even as I was pulling out of the parking lot, I saw the dozens of serene and pondering faces that I had just spent over two hours with in Theater 1 of Wynnsong. I wanted to run into the parking lot and scream, "He is Risen!"

"The Passion of the Christ" left everyone awestruck on that particular day. It was evi-

dent by the response that it would not be easily forgotten. I've read in articles and heard on the news that many people feel that the horror and gore of the film is too intense, but I can honestly say that I hope I NEVER get that image out of my mind. I hope that I NEVER forget the sacrifice that was made for me because of my sins. So, if the blood of Christ stays in my mind until the day I die, then I will forever be thankful to Mr. Gibson for putting his faith and my faith out in the front lines of Hollywood and the rest of the world for everyone to see.

Joey Tolbert, graduate student religious studies

...Can't get no ...

Dear Editor,
The Rolling Stones' song, "Can't Get No Satisfaction," reminds me of many of the Christians who are feeling threatened by Mel Gibson's new movie, "The Passion of the Christ." "The Accents" has published three articles (by my count) about the movie and two of them were very un-

"Passionate."
I have so much to say on this subject, I don't know where to begin. Because I'm studying to be a Christian filmmaker, do I confront the idea of not being able to find Christ in a theater? Do I confront the religious zealots who bash Hollywood for making "trashy, immoral movies" and then continue to bash Hollywood when it produces an honest account of the pinnacle and cornerstone of Christianity?

But then it occurs to me that you, the reader, won't be able to see this article until at least two weeks after the movie opens. I write this on the eve of Spring Break, the day after I sat down and witnessed "The Passion of Christ." So for those of you who are considering boycotting the film, and while it is still fresh in my mind, I want to share my experience in watching the film before it's too late and you miss out on this enriching experience.

I was curious (as I'm sure many of you are) about how one can accurately adapt a story from the Bible into a two-hour movie? Masterfully, it appears.

The film begins in Gethsemane, with Jesus sweating blood (Luke 22:44) and praying that the Father's will is adhered to, not His own (Matthew 26:41). Satan enters and mocks Jesus and His mission. A snake slithers out from under Satan's robes and is about to strike Jesus when Jesus stamps his foot down, crushing the snake's head (Genesis 3:15). Judas, a little scared and intimidated by the high priests, accepts thirty pieces of silver for the arrest of Jesus (Mark 14:30). The disciples flee into the night and John is even seen being pulled out of his robe in his flight (Mark 14:52). Jesus is taken to the Sanhedrin (Luke 22:54), where we see both Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus object to the council's actions (Luke 23:50-51).

It was at this point I realized this film was as anti-Semite as the New Testament—not at all.

Peter denies Jesus three times (Matthew 26:75). The high priests take Jesus to Pilate's court (Luke 23:1). Pilate, swayed by his wife's dream (Matthew 27:19) sends Jesus to Herod (Luke 23:7). Herod finds no fault in Him, so he sends him back to Pilate (Luke 23:11). Judas, racked with guilt and tormented by inner (and very visual) demons, hangs himself (Matthew 27:5). Pilate, swayed by the masses, releases Barabbas (Matthew 27:20) and has Jesus flogged (John

19:1). Jesus is then brutally and torturously flogged. He is mocked and spit upon (Matthew 26:67). Matthew 27:29: They place a rod in his right hand, a crown of thorns on his head and drape a purple robe over Him, mocking Him as the "King of the Jews" (Matthew 27:29). He is led to Calvary (John 19:17) though He can't carry His own cross (Mark 15:21). He is nailed to the cross on Golgotha and He dies (John 19:30). But it's a victorious death. Not just a release from pain. He's on the cross, and with His final breath, exclaims "It is finished!" Three days later, He accomplishes the triumph (Matthew 12:40).

Throughout this timeline of events, we are privy to flashbacks of Jesus' life and teachings (John 14 most notably). The most liberty was taken with the character of Satan. Though it is never recorded in the gospels, it is a stretch of the imagination to say that Satan was present on the day Jesus died. In the movie, the role of Satan is played by Rosalinda Celentano. While it may seem strange to cast a female in the role of Satan, it's nothing new to those of us involved in Christian drama. She plays a very cunning, sulking Satan who unleashes a foul cry of defeat when Jesus dies on the cross.

There are certain "Catholic liberties" that are taken, such as a quick glimpse of the Shroud of Turin Veronica wiping the brow of Jesus, and a special emphasis on Mary, the mother of Jesus, but they in no way distract from the focus on Christ or change the message of mercy and sacrifice the cross and this film depicts.

Instead of slandering mad at past writers and shapers of opinions, I would like to propose a question, in hopes that you might ingest it and reevaluate it amongst your peers:

How would you see it done? The box office report is in. On opening day, the movie made \$26.6 million. It opened in 3,006 theatres, each theatre averaging \$8,835 in ticket sales for "The Passion." That means that at \$7 a ticket, in one day 3,794,000 people were able to witness the sacrifice of our Lord Jesus. How would you take this story to a society that is calloused to violence? How would you take this event to so many people in one day? How would you take this story to people who would rather sit in an theater, watch any movie, than sit in church? How would you make the story alive again to a church who has grown calloused to the event, so much that they simply thank Jesus for His sacrifice and move on to prayers for Aunt Betty's snuff?

It seems that the moral of the story should be, "Don't judge a movie by its maker, but view it before making unkind statements about its lack of spirituality."

Sincerely,

Scott Fogg, senior film major

Thumbs-up Thumbs-down By Justin Kobyłka



Thumbs up to the Cafeteria for having hot pepper and milk on the tables

Thursday, March 11, at lunch. This is a small start to fulfilling SAU students' dreams of having "the black pepper next to the white salt." Submitted by Kama Baugher, Senior nursing major

Thumbs down to campus safety when they feel they must continue putting tickets on a car that is



obviously not being used. At some point you've got to think, "the ticket thing isn't working..." Just a little common courtesy would go a long ways. Give the guy a call.



Thumbs up to the Audio/Visual department, which underwent a major catastrophe

and yet still tried to be at the disposal of the students and faculty who need their services. Good luck rebuilding and thank you for your department.

Lessons from 'The Passion of the Christ'

Dear Editor,

Everyone's talking about "The Passion of the Christ" lately. There are mixed opinions about the film but I want to share what I got out of it.

I can't explain the horror I felt when I saw what was done to Jesus. There he was on a huge screen in front of me, suffering in my place. Nothing I have ever been told or have ever seen till now compared with the visual intensity and reality of this film. Thoughts such as, "Why did Jesus go through with this?" "He didn't have to do this!" "That is supposed to be me," kept going through my head. "The Passion of the Christ" brought me closer to the crucifixion, and consequently closer to Jesus.

I will never forget the images of what my God endured. It's painful to see and it's hard for me to understand that Jesus saw enough worth in us and in the human race to die like that. I can't even begin to grasp the kind of selfless love that God has given.

What really hit home the most was Jesus' forgiveness. Never once in all the repeated beatings and taunting did Jesus fight back or call names. He sure would have been justified in doing so. It is hard for me to see why anyone would have even thought they had the right to beat and kill Jesus. Today, we get angry in traffic when someone cuts in too close or we get stuck behind a slow driver. Some of

us swear and allow ourselves to get all bent out of shape over something so small. Jesus went through torture and didn't allow one angry thought to pass through His mind. All he thought about was love and forgiveness. To see this acted out was frustrating. I wanted to jump into the screen and deal justice upon those who had hurt Jesus. It is impossible for me to relate to a love that pure.

Jesus didn't deserve an ounce of pain. Tears fell when I saw people beat Jesus even after he was already weak, bruised, and bloody. What purpose was there for people to hurt someone more who was already in so much pain? However, everyday the human race continues to beat and inflict pain on Jesus. Whenever we, as humans, attempt to commit suicide, when we cut ourselves, when we harbor hate, when we accuse others wrongly or when we refuse to love ourselves we are doing the same to Jesus. I don't think I ever truly understood this. After seeing "The Passion of the Christ" would I ever want to hurt Jesus any more?

There will be people who disapprove of "The Passion of the Christ" and others who will be immensely blessed. But I believe that no matter where the viewer stands they cannot walk away from the film unchanged.

Sincerely,
Heather Jaetzko

Video games: entertainment or harmful addiction

MERVYN NG
OPINION COLUMNIST

Video games mess you up for real, yo. Some of these games are so addictive that the very few people have the self-control or determination to yield to the temptation. It's like drugs. Once you start playing, you can't stop. I know. I've been there and done that. I used to be a die hard PC gamer. I would stay up all night in my own virtual world shooting other people on the Internet. I loved playing computer games because I was good at it. It made me feel like I had the power to control the future.

The problem is that video games can get so personal and intense that it is extremely easy to lose friends over something insignificant. Not only that, it also can be extremely time consuming, expensive and stressful on your health. It is definitely a distraction that many of us can do without. Gaming makes you feel like you are in control in your own world beyond reality. This habit many times turns into a lack of social interaction. When I am in the middle of a game, I don't care about who is talking to me, who is calling on the phone or what happens around me. The only two reasons that I will get up is if the building is on fire or if campus safety drags me out. Yes, it is pretty sad. What ever happened to going outside and running around?

The fact is that it is very difficult to get out of playing especially when you have a lot of friends that play. Most of my close friends are hard-core gamers. I used to stay up so late that I didn't want to look at my clock before I went to bed. I know some of you can relate to this. After all these years, I told myself I just couldn't do it anymore. We only have 24 hours in a day. Invest your time in something worthwhile. Something that you know you will not regret in the future.

Enjoy the great outdoors

ANDREW BERNUDEZ
OPINION COLUMNIST

It amazes me when I ask people on weekends how their Sabbath was or what they did, how many say something like, "Oh nothing, just slept all afternoon." It seems like such a waste of a wonderful day. Of course, after a busy week, that's often precisely what we want to do—take a break. As important as rest is (and I'm certainly not

going to condemn Sabbath afternoon naps), the weekend is also a great time to fit in some healthy, refreshing outdoor activities.

Consider all the things we do inside—classes, meals, study time, sleep—they are all important, but after spending all that time through the week inside the buildings of Southern, why spend our weekends in vegetative inactivity? The weather is perfect for outdoor activities,

whenever it's not raining, anyway. But some just don't know of anything to do around here. There are beautiful hiking places nearby such as Clondland Canyon and the Ocoee wilderness, or if you don't mind the two or three hour drive, there are many wonderful lakes in the Great Smoky Mountains. If you have a bicycle, take a ride around the area. Maybe you enjoy caving, camping, kayaking or rock climbing; there are

places for those as well. Or if you're not into such strenuous activities, just take a leisurely walk on the Greenway or the Biology Trail. Whatever you do, take some time to get some friends together and go out to enjoy the fresh spring air in the beauty of nature. It's a great way to get exercise, breathe some fresh air and spend time doing something enjoyable with others, all at the same time!

Media and the mind: the reality of our perceptions

KELLY RAZZOUK
NEW YORK CORRESPONDENT

Every day millions of people rely on mass media to give them an accurate picture of world events, but often the messages and images disseminated in one part of the world are very different from those in another. The average media viewer seldom takes the time to contrast, compare and think about world events, although a plethora of options are available for doing this.

On March 4-5, over 700 high school students from 19 countries gathered in the general assembly hall of the United Nations headquarters for the 28th annual Modern Mass Media Conference.

The theme for this year's conference was "The Influence of Information." The two-day event included speakers from around the world who spoke about a variety of topics including: "Broadcast Journalism and War," "The Media and Conflict Resolution" and "The Pervasive Influence of Media."

Mr. Ralph Begleiter, former "CNN World Affairs" correspondent, stated that 80 percent of Americans get their news from television.

"Many Americans treat their television sets as if they were some kind of an altar," he said.

Begleiter stressed the fact that television news stations like ABC, NBC and CBS often give viewers the "news" they want rather than the news they need. Hard news stories like crisis situations in countries are often overshadowed by stories like Janet Jackson's half-time appearance at the Superbowl.

"Americans pay close attention to sports statistics and Hollywood gossip, but many can't tell you where Afghanistan is on a map," Begleiter said.

"Covering what is done to ameliorate crisis situations has become a part-time job," Mr. Ramu Damodaran, editor-in-chief of "UN Chronicle," said.

Damodaran emphasized the fact that news media often fail to cover the activities of non-governmental organizations and humanitarian agencies.

Ms. Raghdia Dergahm, NBC political

analyst and Al-Hayat senior diplomatic correspondent, stated that the reason humanitarian agencies do not get the coverage they deserve is because they don't put a "human face" on the tragedies.

All of the panelists encouraged the students to explore the media offered by countries other than their own regularly in order to get a more balanced perspective.

"The camera lens could probably be the biggest liar; you can manipulate your message through it in so many ways," explained Mr. Abdelrahim Foukara, Al-Jazeera correspondent.

Both Foukara and Begleiter used one particular instance from the Iraqi war to illustrate the power that media images have on shaping perceptions.

"Many Americans treat their television sets as if they were some kind of an altar,"

When the statue of Saddam Hussein was brought down in Iraq, an American soldier quickly ran up and placed an American flag over the head of Hussein. A Pentagon official saw this act and immediately called to request an Iraqi flag be placed there instead.

The American media showed pictures of the statue with the Iraqi flag, showing a liberated Iraqi people, but the Middle Eastern media showed images of the statue draped in the American flag, symbolizing American occupation rather than liberation of the Iraqi people.

Conflicting images like these exist on a daily basis and account for some of the animosity felt on both sides.

Mr. Danny Schechter, author of the book "Weapons of Mass Deception," discussed the role that embedded reporters played in the dissemination of information during the Iraqi war. He stated that reporters in these situations could not be unbiased because they were relied on the troops with which they were traveling for their food, shelter and safety.

Foukara also stated that it is virtually impossible to be unbiased in reporting. "The world is seen through the eyes of the correspondents," he said.

"Objective journalism is a lofty notion," Dergahm said. She went on to say that journalists listening to the same press conference will walk away with different leads because each brings his or her own perspectives and views.

The journalists discussed the struggles of the job as well as the gratification they received.

Dergahm stated she received "letter bombs" from people angry with her for her news reporting on certain events.

CEO of "Newsweek" magazine Richard Smith stated, "If somebody isn't trying to stop you from what you're saying or writing, you've got to try harder."

Likewise, Dergahm emphasized that she loved her job because she got "paid to think."

All of the panelists encouraged students to be critical consumers of media news and images and to not take everything at face value. Begleiter stated that photographers staged a photo taken of traders at the US Stock Exchange bowing their heads in prayer on the first day of the attack on Iraq.

All the panelists stressed the need for Americans to become more aware of world issues. Many Americans view the people of other countries as being poor, illiterate and oppressed. While this is true of some areas and peoples, it is not representative of the rest of the world. Failure to recognize the valuable contributions and advancements of people around the globe is a great tragedy.

This new age of technology has made information from around the world instantly accessible to us. In seconds we can maneuver through the vast array of international media options afforded us by the Internet. With just a few clicks we can compare the news from Al-Jazeera and the BBC. This is a luxury that of CNN and the BBC. This is a luxury that many of us take for granted and one that would help us to better understand what Mr. Foukara referred to as the "global village" in which we are living.

The time has come for us to take an interest in the world around us. As Danny Schechter stated, "Become an active citizen, not just a spectator in democracy."

Presidential Campaign Platforms

John Kerry - Democratic presidential candidate



Home State: Massachusetts
Previous Office: Massachusetts lieutenant governor, 1982-84; U.S. senator, elected 1984
Family: First marriage ended in divorce in 1988; two daughters from first marriage. Married Teresa Heinz; has three stepsons from second marriage
Religion: Catholic
Official Web Site: www.Kerry04.com

Kerry's position on major issues:

- Abortion**
 Partial-birth abortion ban undermine women's right to choose. (Nov. 2003)
- Economy**
 Economy is recovering for corporations to some degree. (Jan. 11)
 Will follow Clinton's plan to halve deficit in four years. (Oct. 2003)
 Bush policy kept economy afloat in recession-keep some of it. (Sep. 2003)
- Civil Rights**
 Flag burning is displeasing, but it's free expression. (Jan. 25)
 For partnership rights and civil union. (Nov. 2003)
 Voted NO on prohibiting same-sex marriage. (Sep. 1996)
 Voted NO on banning affirmative action hiring with federal funds. (Jul. 1995)
- Crime**
 Moratorium on federal executions—only exception is terrorism. (Jan. 25)
 Voted NO on rejecting racial statistics in death penalty appeals. (May 1994)
 More federal and stricter sentencing for hate crimes. (April 2001)
- Drugs**
 Admits having smoked marijuana. (Nov. 2003)
- Education**
 Vouchers drain resources from public schools. (Jan. 25)
 Voted NO on \$75 million for abstinence education. (July 1996)
 Voted NO on requiring schools to allow voluntary prayer. (July 1994)
 Safeguard the environment and grow the economy. (June 2003)
 Fund Head Start to leave no child behind. (Sep. 2003)
 Voted YES on restricting violent videos to minors. (May 1999)
- Foreign Policy**
 Supports multilateral cooperative internationalism. (Oct. 2003)
 Voted NO on cap foreign aid at only \$12.7 billion. (Oct. 1995)
 All new trade must include labor and environmental standards. (Jan. 25)
 Capitalism and democracy go hand in hand. (May 2003)
- Domestic Values**
 Every vote must be counted. (Jan. 11)
 Flag and patriotism belong to all Americans. (June 2003)
 Voted YES on banning "soft money" contributions and restricting issue ads. (March 2002)
- Gun Control**
 Democratic Party shouldn't be for the NRA. (Nov. 2003)
 Supports assault weapons ban & Brady Bill. (Oct. 2003)
 Voted YES on background checks at gun shows. (May 1999)
- Health Care**
 Day 1: Make health care a right, not a privilege. (Jan. 25)
- National Defense / Homeland Security**
 Increase military by 40,000 troops—but no draft. (Jan. 22)
 Bush misused the authority Congress gave him. (Jan. 11)
 Color-coded warning system needs to be changed. (Jan. 11)
 Voted NO on deploying missile defense as soon as possible. (Sep. 1998)
- Immigration**
 Earned legalization for undocumented immigrants. (Jan. 25)
 Amnesty to anyone here over 5 or 6 years. (Sep. 2003)
- Business**
 Voted YES on Internet sales tax moratorium. (Oct. 1998)
 Raise minimum wage to \$6.65 by next year, then higher. (Jan. 25)
- Values**
 Ready to lead America: I was there and I led the fight. (Dec. 2003)
 Honors the separation of church and state. (Dec. 2003)
- Social Security**
 I will never privatize, extend retirement age, nor cut SS. (Jan. 4)
 Guarantee Social Security soundness, even if unpopular. (Sep. 2003)

George W. Bush - Republican presidential candidate



Home State: Texas
Previous Office: Elected Governor of Texas in 1994 and re-elected in 1998.
Family: Married Laura Welch in 1977, has twin daughters - Jenna and Barbara.
Religion: Methodist
Official Web Site: <http://www.georgewbush.com/>

Bush's position on major issues:

- Abortion**
 Accepts FDA approval of RU-486 but concerned about overuse. (Oct. 2000)
 Ban partial-birth abortions, and reduce abortions overall. (Oct. 2000)
- Budget**
 Cut the deficit in half in the next 5 years. (Jan. 20)
 Fact Check: Deficit didn't exist at end of Clinton term. (Jan. 20)
 Cut national debt by \$2T in 10 years; leave \$1.2T in debt. (Feb. 2001)
- Civil Rights**
 Don't let Patriot Act expire—terrorist threat won't. (Jan. 20)
 Affirmative action: qualified candidates guaranteed college. (Oct. 2000)
 For affirmative action, but not quotas or preferences. (April 2000)
 Gay tolerance & equal rights, not gay marriage & special rights. (Oct. 2000)
 No gay adoptions; but listens to gay GOP group. (April 2000)
 Against gay marriage, but leave it to the states. (Feb. 2000)
- Corporations**
 Federal government should stay out of the marketplace. (Dec. 1999)
 Limit frivolous lawsuits to create entrepreneurial heaven. (Dec. 1999)
- Crime**
 Death penalty for deterrence, not revenge. (Oct. 2000)
 Proud of eliminating parole for violent criminals. (Dec. 1999)
- Drugs**
 Use faith-based programs for addicted Americans. (Aug. 2003)
 \$2.8B more for Drug War, for state treatment & abroad. (Oct. 2000)
 Acknowledges arrest for drunk driving in 1976. (Nov. 2000)
 Encourages abstinence from tobacco, drugs or alcohol. (Dec. 1998)
- Education**
 End the soft bigotry of low expectations in our schools. (Aug. 2000)
 "No Child Left Behind" increases accountability. (Aug. 2003)
 Local control is core principle of successful education. (Aug. 2003)
 Increased per-student funding by almost 60%. (Aug. 2003)
 Increased school funding by \$11B since taking office. (Aug. 2003)
- Energy & Oil**
 Provided \$1.2B to develop hydrogen fuel. (Aug. 2003)
 Reduce greenhouse gas intensity by 18% over next decade. (Aug. 2003)
- Environment**
 Abandons campaign pledge to reduce CO2 emissions. (March 2001)
 Clear States Initiative improves air quality now. (Aug. 2003)
- Families & Children**
 Double funding for abstinence to prevent STDs. (Jan. 20)
 Defend the institution of marriage against activist judges. (Jan. 20)
- Foreign Policy**
 America will never seek a permission slip for self-defense. (Jan. 20)
 Bush Doctrine: pre-emptive strikes for US defense. (Dec. 2003)
 America should be a humble nation, but project strength. (Oct. 2000)
 Vital interests: US or allies threatened; we can win & exit. (Oct. 2000)
- Government Reform**
 Big government cannot be compassionate. (Nov. 2000)
 Regulatory style: like Reagan, get government out of the way. (Oct. 2000)
 Private soft money OK, with full & prompt disclosure. (March 2001)
- Gun Laws**
 If gun laws are broken, hold people accountable. (Oct. 2000)
- National Defense / Homeland Security**
 Largest increase in defense \$ in two decades: never too high. (Jan. 2002)
 Focus on mobility and swiftness, not size of military. (Feb. 2001)
 Missile defense for security, not for military advantage. (Aug. 2003)
 Concedes no evidence of Saddam ties to 9-11. (Sep. 2003)
- Immigration**
 Support temporary worker program but oppose amnesty. (Jan. 20)

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Big Rigs pull off season of perfection! Men's intramural basketball final - A League

MARK GUNTHER
Sports Writer

It should have been the double title run of the year for Sean Thorne and Edwin Urbina. On February 25, Thorne and Urbina's Showtime faced off against Big Rigs, or "Team Wilson" as they are more commonly known, in the men's intramural A-League final. A win for Showtime would have been the second title for the

dynamic duo in a week, following their Rees series victory for the sophomores. Instead, it turned into an exhibition as to why the Big Rigs finished the season undefeated as the top team on campus.

The game started sloppy and loose as both teams struggled to find their rhythm. The Big Rigs' center, Alex Froom showed a strong mid-range shot as the Rigs triangle offense

found a way to score against the hybrid zone-trap defense of Showtime. On the other hand, Showtime's motion offense didn't have their typical spark and luster as the similar high zone of Big Rigs kept Thorne in check. Big Rig basketball this year has been all about team play and their team mentality gave them an unbelievable 29-12 lead at the halftime break.

Then Showtime fought back.

Despite Aaron Wilson's massive one-handed slam dunk on Urbina in the middle of the second half, Showtime clawed back into the game. Plain and simple, Showtime showed the gritty spirit they are known for. Their defense finally clicked and their offense showed the life most knew was there. A magical comeback was in order, with Showtime taking the lead with 4 minutes to go.

But just when it looked like it was all over for the Big Rigs, their team play re-ignited and they put together a run that silenced Showtime. The win wasn't pretty but it was team driven, just the way the Big Rigs like it. Nearly everyone on their team got on the scoreboard and everyone contributed to their 64-51 victory, finishing their season at a perfect 10-0.

Shox win hard championship game vs Grits

ETHAN NKANA
Sports Editor

The Women's A-League Championship featured the (X-X) Shox against the (X-X) Grits. In a hard-fought battle, team Shox emerged victorious with a score of 34-24.

Carina Rusk broke the ice, putting the Grits on the board with a layup early on. Georgia Liles increased the margin to four points with a difficult

fade-away shot from the perimeter.

The Shox fought back, though with 5:30 remaining in the first half the score was 12-8 in favor of the Grits. Despite the Grits' advantage, the Shox had a swarming defensive setup that made the Grits work for every point they scored.

Tiana Lopez had three of her five steals late in the first half, which gave the Shox a

one-point lead going into the half, 15-14.

Casey Wright of the Grits opened the second half with a set shot from the high post to give the Grits the lead, bringing the score to 16-15. The Shox's defense held the Grits scoreless for more than five minutes in the second half.

With a strong move in the post, Jaela Carter brought the Shox's lead to three points,

then proceeded to block a Grits' shot attempt on the other end of the floor.

Rusk, who was quiet most of the game, hit a crucial three-point shot with 4:00 remaining, giving the Grits a two-point lead. Mitten answered with a three-ball of her own, the next possession giving the Shox a 25-24 advantage. The Grits did not score for the remainder of the contest.

Shox guard Jodi Bryan made a lay up with 1:30 remaining, giving the Shox the 28-24 advantage. Bryan hit a pair of free throws with under 30 seconds remaining. Bryan hit the final shot to bring the game to a close.

The Shox won the Women's A-League tournament, defeating the Grits by a 10 point margin: 34-24.

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the campus Chatter

Week of: March 19 - 25

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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Biracial and interracial couples needed for confidential interviews. Please contact Sherrie Williams at 396-2963. All participation will be greatly appreciated.

DESTINY DRAMA PRESENTS

Destiny Drama Company presents Paul McCusker's "Snapshots and Portraits," a 2 hr comedy about family foibles and reconciliation.

3 NIGHTS ONLY: Thursday, April 8, 2004 through Saturday, April 10, 2004

7:30PM - 9:30PM Nightly

Tickets will be on sale after Monday, March 22, 2004 at the Village Market Courtesy Desk. \$2.00 for student with valid SAU ID. SAU students must present date of purchase \$5.00 general audience. TICKETS FOR SATURDAY'S SHOW MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE. For further information go to the calendar link on chaplain.southern.edu or destiny.southern.edu or contact the Chaplain's office at 396-3122.

LIBRARY TO EMAIL FIRST NOTICES

Beginning Monday, March 1, the library will be emailing first overdue notices to all Southern students and staff. Please check your Southern email account regularly. The second and third notices will continue to be sent out through intercampus mail in hard copy for now.

Overdue notices are sent the day after books are due, again one week later and a charge notice is sent after two weeks. Overdue notices are sent as a courtesy and failure to receive a notice does not remove any penalties for failure to return books. For further information on the overdue policies and other library policies or information, please visit our page at: <http://library.southern.edu>.

CAREER DECISION-MAKING WORKSHOP: If you would like to learn about your vocational personality type and the kind of career that promises the most satisfaction and happiness, plan to attend this workshop on Thursday, March 25, at 7 p.m. held in the Student Center Seminar Room.

Call 2782 to make your reservation.

HEART WALK

The Collegedale Heart Walk will begin at 2 p.m. at the Wolfcreek Creek Greenway. For more information contact Erin Reynolds.

SILC

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"Creating Unity through Diversity" Come interact with fellow students at S.A.U. while learning skills in leadership and cross-cultural understanding. This conference will be held April 16-18 in the White Oak Room at Thatcher South. All meals, events, and entertainment will be included for a small registration fee of \$20. Some featured activities include:

Service project, Cultural games and simulation Student-led sessions Diversity talent show "Global Panel" of professors Home-cooked ethnic meals

If you are interested in attending, please sign up by April 5th with the receptionist at the Counseling Center or e-mail foley@southern.edu. Late registration fee is \$10. Spread the word that this is a weekend you will not want to miss!

CLUBS & DEPARTMENTS

THE SAU ENGLISH CLUB PRESENTS:

Thursday, March 18, 7:30 p.m. Montana Repertory Theatre Company performing "A Streetcar Named Desire" at UTC Patten Theatre. \$9.00 student. Transportation available at 6:30 p.m. at Wright Hall.

SonRise Volunteers:

SonRise 2004 is just around the corner on April 10. SonRise has been presented for the past eight years as a gift to the surrounding communities. There are many areas that need your help. Contact the person in the area you are interested in helping, or if you want more overall information on the different areas, contact Vanessa Kepper at (w) 238-2807, (h) 396-2436, or vbrwn@southern.edu, or Sherrie Williams at 396-2134 or ssplatt@southern.edu. Jerusalem Shops—

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CAMPUS MINISTRIES

Destiny Drama Co. will perform at 3:15 p.m., on Saturday, March 20, 2004, in the Iles PE Center. Further info may be found at chaplain.southern.edu or call #3122.

STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Community Service Day is Thursday, April 8. Sign up today at SA.SOUTHERN.EDU
Schedule of events - April 8,
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9:00 am breakfast begins (in dining hall)
9:30 am worship
10:00 am leave for service sites
11:00 - 3:00 p.m. volunteer
3:30 - 5:00 p.m. dinner with Moe's Southwest Grill (in front of Wright Hall)



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CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MARCH 18

10:30 - 11:00 am Fair Booths Open
11:00 am Convocation - Health Care Fair (Iles)
12 - 1:30 pm Fair Booths Open
2 - 5:00 pm Meet the Firms (Church Fellowship Hall)
A Streetcar Named Desire (UTC Patten Theatre)

7:30 pm Last day to drop a class & automatically receive a "W"
BIRTHDAYS: Brian Bart, Alexis Hard-Shires, Michelle Kibich, Jon Liem, Cody Mathis, Marilyn Muncy, Janell Pettibone, Sarah Ritchey, Cathy Olson, Richard Schwarz, Sheila Smith

FRIDAY, MARCH 19

6:51 pm Sunset
8:00 pm Vespers - Or. Paul Hoover (Student Association, Church)

Payday
Withdrawals through April 10, receive a "W" or "WF"
BIRTHDAYS: Gwyneth Larpoux, Steve Nigroly, Keri Ray, Ariel Rosario, Stephanie Schlofer, Melanie Eddleman, Herdy Manigang, Heather Neal, Neville Webster

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

9:00 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
The Third - Mike Fulbright (Iles)
9:45 am "Student Center Sabbath School" (Student Center)
"Another Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
Flag Camp (Meet at Wright Hall)
Shut In Ministries (Meet at Wright Hall)
SAU Duet Performance (Iles)
3:15 pm SAU Duet Performance (Iles)
6:30 pm Evensong (Church)

8:00 pm SA Talent Show: Live 2004 (Iles)

DEEP Sabbath at Southern
BIRTHDAYS: Kate Adams, Erika Jenkins, Daniel Lukas, Ron Ortiz, Heidi Wernberg, Tammy Maguard, Shari McQuinn, Jim Segar

SUNDAY, MARCH 21

ASEANS Week (6 - 9 a.m.)
Employee Event
BIRTHDAYS: Casey Brinegar, Ranelle Durin, Nick Gillen, Danielle Lammis, Juan Monsalve, Benjamin Sayler, Adam Williams

MONDAY, MARCH 22

3:30 pm Academic Affairs
Fall Registration (2 - 6)
BIRTHDAYS: Emily Appel, David Bruce, Jay Grobner, Ryan Lusk, Ross Martin, Beth Patterson, Maria Roberson, David Sanner, Josh Townsend, Jorge Guzman, Andy Nash

TUESDAY, MARCH 23

7:00 pm Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)
BIRTHDAYS: Emily Appel, Alex Olsen, Karen Kil Schmitt, Tami Tuell, Jason Allen, Dorothy Turner

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

7:00 pm SA Senate (White Oak Room)
BIRTHDAYS: Kevin Dunning, Amaris Monagel, Jorge Patino, Lindsey Potts, Gregory Rose, Christopher Di Cicco, Earl Evans

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

11:00 am Convocation - Haseel Lectureship (Church)
Social Work Field Practicum Application due (Department)
7:00 pm Career Decision-Making Workshop (Student Seminar Room)
BIRTHDAYS: Richard Dube, Justin Evans, Eric Marburger, Ge Marin, Jessica McCraun, Dannie Miller, Adrienne Walker, Bob Burks, Merritt MacLafferty

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**WIN A DATE WITH YOUR FRIENDLY
NEIGHBORHOOD HUMOR EDITOR!**



The just-discovered third Whetmore sister, Vanna Whetmore, displays the prize.

Photos by Jacquie Seeley

I was perusing through the moviefune website when I got a great idea. It hit me like the stench of elderberries: I could hold a contest.

One lucky lady will win a date with the handsome, muscular, witty humor editor. Yes, all you have to do is write the reason I should choose you in an e-mail addressed to me (bryanstitzer@southern.edu). The best reason will be printed right here on the humor page.

In addition, you will receive an evening with yours truly. I can't divulge all that will happen on this magical evening, but I can say that the cost will be upwards of thirty bucks! This is the largest contest in the "Accent" this week! Good luck.

La grande dame greets her on the right to her husband and all her relatives before making her exit. The recipient will also have the option of showing the money rather than the debt, in which case I will like to take a copy of World Mail Single letters card, please. Then, you don't have to be single, but if you are not single, I do request that you make sure your boyfriend is wealthier than you. In the event of his leaving her, I would like to say to the publisher's mind. Please don't hurt me! Chances of winning are 100% on the number of letters, but with my luck it will be something like 1 : 1.

INSIGHTFUL INSIGHTS

By Jon Palmer

¡Hola! Me nombre es Juan Palmer y yo
conozco a Miguel y Jaime. Somos buen
amigos.

My relationship with Martha Stewart

JASON KING
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

As I sit down and write this, I have tears in my eyes remembering what is no longer. It's not easy getting over being in a relationship (which by the way, anybody who knows me knows why I'm not in one now). But it's even harder when that relationship is with Martha Stewart.

At first my parents were concerned about the age difference. I conceded that if it were still a problem after they met Martha, I would break up with her.

So Martha and I arranged to spend a day with my parents. We arrived at the farm bright and early and mom was in the kitchen baking a cake. I told my mom that Martha would be glad to help. Dad and I had some work to do on the farm, so we let the ladies get acquainted.

Martha tied on her emergency apron she carries in her purse for such occasions and went right to work. She insisted they make a cake themselves rather than use the box mix, to which my mother replied, "I guess we can do that." Martha assured her that it was a lot healthier that way.

By the time lunch was ready, Martha had shared many helpful household tips with my mom. For example, now instead of writing letters with a regular pen, mom writes with feather pens made from birds she and Martha killed that morning (I now believe one of the reasons

Martha is in prison is all the bad karma she accrued killing birds for her feather pens).

After spending the morning with Mom, Martha went out on the farm with Dad and me.

We took her out to feed the cows and Martha asked if we had assembled the bales ourselves. When we said we had, she commented on how much work it must have taken and how many hours must have been put into putting together just one hay bale.

We did some fencing next. Dad put the posts in the ground, I nailed on the rails and Martha followed painting them a lovely pink.

In the end, Mom loved Martha but my dad thought my girlfriend was a little impractical. Though after a lot of persuading my dad finally agreed to let us date.

Well, as everyone might have expected, Martha's trial has put a strain on our relationship. She has had me ordering supplies so she can redecorate her prison cell. I told her I'd visit her often, but things won't ever be the same.

I've thought a lot about us lately and I've told Martha there are too many hurdles to cross to make this relationship work. I know Mom will be more upset that I broke up with Martha than Martha is. I've been trying to look on the positive side of things though; at least I got all my Omnimedia stock sold before the fiasco! It's good to date an insider.

DUMB DUCKS



by Justin Janetzko

Top ten funniest things my co-workers told me this week

BRIAN STITZER
HUMOR EDITOR

10. I like to smell my armpit before I clean the steamer ... it smells like elderberries.
9. I don't think KISS makeup was what they had in mind ... oh well, I guess it will be closed casket.
8. Would you mop the floor?
7. This one time at band camp ... I worked with an incompetent instrument tuner!
6. WAKE UP!
5. I am all right; I only hurt when I put my

hand in a French fry frier.

4. Do you smell elderberries?
3. Hola! Me llamo Juan Palmer y yo conozco a Miguel y Jaime. Somos buenos amigos.
2. I gum you.
And the Number One Insane Thing I Heard My Crazy Co-Slaves Say This Week was....
1. Hey, you should do a top ten about the funniest thing you heard your co-workers say

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Tuition jumps 4.7%

KIMBERLEA SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

The Board of Trustees will raise tuition 4.8 percent next year because of continuing increase in classroom needs, medical insurance, teachers' salaries as well as other expenses.

This year for 12-16 credits tuition is \$12,400. It will raise to \$12,990. For students who live in the dorm, it costs \$2,280 for the year. Next year it will raise to \$2,390," said Steve Pawluk, vice president for academic administration.

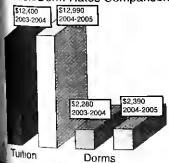
"The increase has been noticeable over the past four years. I wish it was made clear to us why," said Jen Page, mass communications major.

"The money that tuition is increased goes to pay for increases in medical expenses, in updating technologies, cost of living increases in faculty/staff pay and many other expenses that unfortunately increase each year," said Marc Grundy, director of student finance and enrollment.

"This increase has averaged around two percent each year. Employee wages make up about 80 percent of the university's operating expenses, so the annual cost-of-living increase is a significant piece of the budget," said Trisha Sander, marketing and university relations vice president.

Another big expense that needs to be considered is the medical expense of

Tuition/Dorm Rates Comparison



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Photo by Angela Carver

Aaron Roche performs "Sucker" by John Mayer at the SA Talent Show Saturday night. His song won first place and the People's Choice Award for a total of \$700. Roche has played guitar since the eighth grade.

Roche sweeps top talent awards

DON CANTRELL
News Editor

Sophomore theology major Aaron Roche was awarded first place by the judges' panel and also placed first for the peoples' choice award at the SA talent show, giving him \$700 in prize money.

SA's talent show, held last weekend, offered \$1,000 in prize money to performing students. Many high-quality acts were featured, including musical and comedy sets. An elaborate sound and video system was set up, complete with a camera boom to deliver close-up video feeds.

Roche chose to play his rendition of

"Sucker" by John Mayer. Roche modified Mayer's song slightly; he composed the guitar prelude and postlude himself. Roche says he selected this tune "because it's really fun to play, and I just enjoy Jazz and Blues-type music." Although skillfully playing the guitar as he does is obviously not easy, Roche makes it look that way; has been at it since he was in the 8th grade.

The audience was very quiet during the performance, aside from those in the group that happened to know the tune Roche was playing. Resounding applause and cheers from the audience followed the conclusion of "Sucker." The audience's approval transferred into

\$300 for Roche.

Roche estimates he spent about 20 minutes preparing for the talent show, but says "aside from a bit of stage-fright, I was not really nervous. I already knew the song pretty well."

Roche is performing a guitar set at Bluer Music (see the Lifestyles article in the March 18 Accent) Wednesday, March 31, at 7 p.m. This set is free and open to the public. Roche also plans to play again in next year's talent show. If Roche woos the audience and judges with his guitar as effectively as he did this year, it would be hard to see how he could turn down the opportunity for another big pay day.

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Be nice to people on your way up because you will meet them on the way down.

--Attributed to William Mizner

Students aid Mexican poor in Tijuana

DANIELLE MUHLBECK
STAFF WRITER

While some students skied down slopes and soaked up sun over spring break, others chose to serve. Twenty-three students from Southern boarded a plane on February 2. Their destination: Tijuana, Mexico. Their mission: to serve the poorer neighborhoods in the city.

"It was the best short-term mission trip I have ever been on," event coordinator and

University Chaplain Ken Rogers said.

The mission participants built a house for a couple with six children. The family had purchased land for the home but lacked financial resources for the building project. Mission participant Bog Papendick said that the best part of the trip was "seeing the family and the tears of joy on their faces" after they had completed the house.

Students also served by dis-

tributing food, clothing and medical supplies to the citizens. They also bathed the children.

Baths are a rare commodity for children residing in poor Tijuana communities. Government officials have turned off electricity and running water in certain locations of the city in order to force the citizens to leave.

"They [the children] don't even know what a shower is," Bradley Lasley a mission participant said.

Southern students did not serve alone on this trip. The mission group partnered with Spectrum Ministries. According to the company's official web site, its main focus is to work with hundreds of poor families and thousands of children located in seven of the poorer neighborhoods in and around the city of Tijuana, Mexico.

By partnering with Spectrum Ministries, Southern students were provided with dormitory

housing located in Tijuana. Spectrum also coordinated the building project and outreach ministries for the mission participants.

According to the ministry's official web site, Spectrum has taken thousands of different churches from Canada and the United States to serve Mexico. The company is based in San Diego. If interested in serving Tijuana through Spectrum Ministries, call (619) 276-1985.

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students as well as faculty. Over the past couple of years Southern Adventist University has had to pay about a million dollars for medical insurance. In fact, faculty pays a monthly premium in order to help cut costs.

"Medical costs have affected Southern's budget by up to a million dollars a year. Two years ago, Southern changed their medical insurance policies so that employees would have to pay a monthly premium and an annual deductible to offset part of the medical costs. This has helped to stabilize costs a bit, but not completely," said Sauder, university relations vice president.

Many of us don't realize that little things like new technology, building repairs and the cost of electricity and plumbing also have an effect on the increase of

tuition.

"General rises in the costs of electricity, sewer, repairs, etc., plus our aggressive renovation efforts on campus as we seek to keep our buildings in good repair and equipped with updated technology such as fiber optics, etc.," said Sauder.

"It really boils down to what the costs will be for the following school year and based on how much the costs increase is how much that tuition needs to be increased," said Grundy.

In other words, everything has a price, no matter how big or small. If the price of technology, insurance or even the price of economy goes up, the cost of tuition will rise.

As everything seems to be going up, parents wonder how they will be able to keep up with the payments.

"It is very hard to keep up with tuition because it increases faster than my salary does," said Judy Smith, concerned parent.



Jason Reeves condemns Jesus, played by Gabriel Johnson, as he is carried away by Roman soldiers Paul Carithers (left) and Brad Yensho. SonRise practices take place every evening until the pageant April 10.

Sonrise shines at Southern

JODI HEROD
STAFF WRITER

In three weeks, Southern's campus will be filled with hundreds of costumed students.

With thousands of people anticipated to come see the Easter pageant, preparations always begin months in advance. Now with the event only weeks away, the activity on campus is becoming increasingly noticeable. Mobsters and disciples can be seen practicing outside after classes, and soon props for Jerusalem's gates and the Upper Room will be constructed.

Sonrise is an annual Easter pageant put on by Southern and the Collegedale Church. It began in 1996 with the concept of a walk-through Passion play in which the audience would become part of the pageant, experiencing Jesus' last days on earth and His death and resurrection.

Since then, it has grown from a half-day affair with a few thousand audience members to a full-day event with

audience numbers close to 10,000, in addition to the hundreds of participants from both the community and university.

"There are more than 350 students participating in Sonrise this year, and all the main parts have been cast," Becky Whetmore, casting director for Sonrise, said.

Whetmore, a junior English major, has been involved in Sonrise since her freshman year of college. Her first year in Sonrise, she filled a role at the last minute as a favor to her sister. Now it is an event she looks forward to every year.

"My favorite part is Pilate's Judgment Hall," said Whetmore. "The people really start getting into the experience because they have to make a choice. The scene is so emotionally charged."

Nathan Lindsey, senior biology/pre-med major, is the drama director for the pageant this year. He said that he has enjoyed his involvement with Sonrise over the years. One moment was especially memorable for him.

"It was the last walk-through of the day and I was standing in the back of the gym at the resurrection scene," Lindsey said. "Just sitting back after that long day to watch Jesus being raised from the tomb it's all worth it."

Megan Wiley, sophomore finance major, has been participating in Sonrise since she was in elementary school. She said that over the past eight years, being in the pageant has become a tradition among her friends and family.

"I love being in Sonrise. There's the excitement of being part of something so big," Wiley said. "Plus, I know that I'm helping to impact other people's lives for Christ, and that's an awesome feeling."

Though the pageant is only three weeks away, Whetmore and Lindsey are both quick to say there are still parts that need to be filled. Students who are interested in participating should e-mail Becky Whetmore at bwhetmore@southern.edu.

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Weekend band- width increased

BY COURTNEY
STAFF WRITER

The university's information systems department has doubled the weekend download limit for dorm students. The weekend limit is now 50 megabytes, however, during the week it remains at 20 megabytes.

The download limit was increased on an experimental basis. Although Dan Cates, network administrator, has not decided whether the change will be permanent, he said it may end up staying that way.

"The increased download limit during the weekend makes it easier for me to get some of my favorite TV shows that I miss because I'm not allowed to have a TV," said an Aujero, senior music education major.

Southern's download limit exists because the university doesn't have the capacity to support everybody downloading nonstop 24 hours-a-day, said Cates. "It's basically a means to help people be accountable for their activities."

"I think having a download limit is important," said Jeff Brown, senior computer science major. Before the limit, so many people were downloading that it would sometimes take more than a minute to load a web page.

According to the Information Systems web page, at southern.edu, the purpose of the download limit is to ensure that fast Internet access is available for all users. "When a user reaches 50 percent of his or her quota, he or she will receive an automated warning message via e-mail. When the quota is reached, their computer's Ethernet feed will be disconnected until the next period." The time period for these limits is on a 24-hour basis and starts at 3 a.m. A student can check his or her usage at the web site bandwidth.southern.edu.

JACQUI SEELEY
STAFF WRITER

Flung off those flip-flops and strap on your walking shoes; Collegedale's Second Annual Heart Walk starts Sunday. Because Heart Walk organizers want all money to directly benefit the cause, there will be no free t-shirts this year. The American Heart Association will distribute all donations to fund research, education, and prevention of heart disease in Chattanooga.

"Heart disease is the leading cause of death for men and women, and a lot of times it's

silent," said Betty Garver, Heart Walk committee chair member. Healthy living is the easiest way to prevent heart disease, Garver said.

African-American males are the most at risk for this hereditary disease, according to the American Heart Association Web site. A person at risk has high cholesterol, high blood pressure, diabetes, high levels of stress, and is physically inactive or obese.

"Our society just doesn't exercise much; we just sit," Garver said. A simple lifestyle change in exercise is the most

important factor in lowering the risk for heart disease.

On behalf of the Heart Walk, the city of Collegedale will donate \$2,000 to the American Heart Association, said Carol Mason, Collegedale city manager. About \$15,000 was raised last year, making the goal for this year \$20,000, said Michelle Stuflet, Southern's coordinator for the event.

Spalding Elementary was a big donor last year after principal David Mahti died of a heart attack. Students raised money by paying to wear blue jeans on a Friday and by selling

red hearts for a dollar.

Registration takes place near the Imagination Station at 2 p.m. as Mayor Hulseby recites the Pledge of Allegiance. The walk starts at 2:30 p.m. on the Wolfcreek Creek Greenway. Walking on the greenway isn't required, but it is encouraged. All donations, large or small, will be accepted as cash or check to the American Heart Association. A t-shirt comes with a \$100 donation. Visit the American Heart Association Web site for more information at <http://www.americanheart.org>.

Collegedale crash victims identified

STAFF REPORTS

Collegedale police say two Alabama men who died in a fiery head-on collision on Little Debbie Parkway over spring break were legally drunk.

Police Chief Dennis Cramer told the Chattanooga Times Free Press that the victims' Kia Sportage was traveling in excess of 90 mph when it slammed head on into a Little Debbie truck around 3 a.m. March 1.

Cramer said results from the FBI lab showed the driver, 32-year-old James Lambert, of Pisgah, Ala., had a 0.19 blood alcohol level. Lambert's passenger, Nathan Hicks, also 32, had a blood-alcohol level of 0.22, the newspaper reported. A driver is legally drunk in Tennessee if their blood alcohol level exceeds 0.08.

The two men were Collegedale's first traffic fatalities since the 1980s.

Investigators say the men's sport utility vehicle burst into flames after hitting the tractor trailer rig.

"It looks like the sport utility was on the wrong side of the road," Collegedale Police Lt. James Hardeman told the paper. "The 18-wheeler swerved to avoid it. The Kia corrected and they hit each other head on."

The truck was traveling southbound, returning to the McKee Foods Corp. plant in Collegedale after making a delivery, Hardeman added. The McKee driver and a passenger in the truck were not hurt.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT RELIGION

Follow Me, walking with God day by day

MORGAN KOCHENOWER
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"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are" (1 John 3:1).

The love of God, how rich and pure, how measureless and strong, God lavishes His love on us and considers us His children. What have I done to deserve this love? Nothing. In fact, the Bible says in Romans 5:8, "God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us." God created each one of us. Psalm 139:13, 14 says, "For You created my inmost being; You knit me together in my

mother's womb. I praise You because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Your works are wonderful, I know that full well." God knew us before we were born, but how do we continue the relationship? By having our devotions.

Devotions are the most important part of a Christian's walk with God. By reading your Bible and praying, you commune with God. During this time He can mold you just like the potter molds the clay. He will take your life and build you into someone you would have never thought possible. But most importantly, He cleanses us of sin. Isaiah 1:18 says "Come now, let us reason

together," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be like wool." When you spend time reading your Bible and praying, the Lord leads you into green pastures and guides you to the still waters (Psalm 23:2). After Saul had just been anointed king, 1 Samuel 10:9 says, "When (Saul) turned to leave Samuel, God changed his heart." God changed his heart to be in tune with the will of God. But how did Saul's life end? Was he renewing his strength in the pastures of the Lord? The big issue in the change of the Kingship from

Saul to David was one of the condition of the heart. 1 Samuel 13:14 says, "The Lord has sought out a man after His own heart, and the Lord has commanded him to be prince over His people." What was David's devotional life like? Take a look at the Psalms and you can see what kind of walk God was leading him on.

What is your devotional life like? Do you seek the Lord? John 4:23 says, "A time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks." Isaiah 55:6 says, "Seek the Lord while He may be found; call on

him while He is near." God has given us this time, the "calm before the storm," to seek Him. Ewe now He is stretching out His hand to save us.

As you take this walk, the bond between you and Jesus will grow so strong that the powers of hell will tremble. But most importantly, a time will come on your walk when Jesus will call your attention to what is ahead. You will see the gates of heaven opened wide and your heavenly Father will come running towards you with his arms wide open and will embrace you with a love that lasts for eternity. Can you hear Him? He is calling now, "Follow Me."

Doss film garners two awards

JULIO C. MUÑOZ
ANN STAFF

An overflow crowd packed the University Theatre at San Jose State University in California for a closing night screening of Terry L. Benedict's "The Conscientious Objector" at the Cinequest Film Festival. The film, which tells the story of World War II veteran Desmond T. Doss, a Seventh-day Adventist, won Best Feature in the digital category as well as the Audience Choice Award Documentary in competition with nearly 80 films.

"I was really overwhelmed by my experience at Cinequest," said Benedict, an Adventist and filmmaker who is based in Santa Monica, California. "It was a great honor to be the closing night film, and I was excited by the tremendous audience response."

The feature length documen-

tary tells the story of Doss, who served his nation despite strong convictions that did not allow him to carry a gun and compelled him to keep the Saturday Sabbath. He was eventually awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, the highest military honor the United States bestows. Doss was the only non-combatant to receive the medal during that war.

Following the screening, Cinequest presented Doss with the "Maverick Spirit" award, which is given to the world's most accomplished directors, producers, actors, cinematographers, editors and composers whose lives epitomize the concept of a maverick over a spectrum of career and human endeavors. Earlier in the week the award was presented to California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger.



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Thumbs-up Thumbs-down

by Justin Kobyłka



Thumbs down to my mistake last week in giving the Cafeteria credit for pepper when cred-
it was certainly not due. It was actually a student who put the black next to the white that day. Sorry for any confusion caused.



Thumbs up to Deep Weekend, in which Oakland students graced our campus for a day. This is a great idea and it is nice to see so much diversion on our campus, even if it is only for a day.



Thumbs down to student services' repeated decision not to allow student-led Christian rock groups to post notices on campus bulletin boards. This past week the group "Of Much Avail" was not allowed to display posters on campus bulletin boards for a charity concert they are doing with the proceeds going to the Samaritan Center. Then, last Saturday night, the school sponsored a talent show which features performances that most people would consider much more controversial.



Thumbs up to last Friday night's vespers. For those who missed out, Dr. Paul Hoover gave a powerful message about the love of Christ. Thank you, Southern, for bringing in a speaker who can touch our hearts and inspire us with God's love.

THE SOUTHERN ACCENT OPINION

Where are the issues?

TIMOTHY MORSE
Guest Columnist

I've been noticing something. For the last two weeks I've examined the teaser news lines that appear on my homepage. Yahoo.com. "Kerry slams Bush on economy," "Kerry attacks Bush photo op," "Kerry turns attention to White House," and on they go. These are just a few of the headlines I've tracked over the past several weeks. And yet, with all the media coverage and hype surrounding the upcoming election, I have yet to see one headline

that suggests anything about Senator Kerry's stance or political platform. Nothing like "Kerry outlines foreign policy" or "Kerry projects budget ideas" has appeared on any news source I've seen—and believe me I've searched for them.

So why the absence of this information? Why hasn't a media source really pointed out his issues and agenda? Simple. No one cares. Not even the Democrats. This election is about one thing, plain and simple: beat Bush. The Democratic Party hasn't let go of the 2000 election yet

—they believe that these past four years have been illegitimate; they believe that Bush should be walking around without any power whatsoever. This election campaign isn't about the issues. This election, for the liberals, isn't even about electing the best man for the job. This election is about revenge. This election is about the Democrats uniting behind anyone who could possibly unseat George W. That's why the media hasn't been focusing on the real issues. They've been building Kerry up as the "mao who can beat Bush." Don't believe me? Read any media publication, you'll see what I mean.

The fact is that none of the Democrats are worrying about the political issues. Now, Howard Dean was an issue man. The media swarmed all over his trail earlier this year. But he was about issues, not just about defeating Bush and getting back the "four years that America lost," as many liberals would say. But Howard Dean just dropped out of the race. Why? He was leading in the polls for months, he had the mass media bowing at his feet, he had it all. And now, because of the razzmatazz and anti-Bush flair put forth by the Kerry campaign, he's history. I really don't know how to state this again differently or to make it any clear-

er. Watch TV: For Joe Q. Democrat is voting for Kerry so that "we can get rid of Bush." Yeah, nothing like standing for your issues, Joe.

On a related note, what about this whole gay marriage thing in California? Could the liberals have shot themselves in the foot any more effectively at any better time? California voters—the majority of which are Democrats—stated that marriage should be reserved for a man and a woman. The last vote evaluation put around 34 percent of the state's voting population as Republican. The ballot to enforce a gay marriage ban was passed with a 61% majority. Do the math. Even the Democrats in California are against this! Enter Gavio Newton, the new mayor of San Francisco. Disregarding what the voters of California think, the good Democrat effectively told the state to buzz off and signed a bill allowing gay marriage. See where this is going? The infighting will commence; the Democratic Party will split over this and if hurting the party isn't enough, this move will rouse all the conservatives in the state of California to back President Bush even more. Support is being delivered from the opposition. It's a great day in America.

Big kids now?

ANOL WLASNIEWSKI
Guest Columnist

Ever since I started attending Southern two years ago I've been assuming that I was at a university, a place where adults go to further their education. Boy, was I wrong. After Tuesday night's Westminster choir program, I now know that I attend an elementary school.

I don't really know what I feel worse about. I'm mad that the program that I wanted to enjoy was constantly interrupted and overshadowed by people's conversations. But I'm also embarrassed for the so-called "adults" who attend this university who require a staff member to glare at them to quiet them down. Everyone who sat in the balcony knows what I'm talking about. I think that we should be able to sit through an hour-and-a-half program without some form of outside entertainment. To quote the well-known commercial, "Mommy, wow! We're all big kids now." Why can't we start acting like it?

Besides the blatant and aggravating talking going on in the balcony, I was also witness to other feats of amazing immaturity. One person talked on a cell phone, loudly, while another did some guy's hair. Couldn't these tasks have waited until after the program was over? "But the

programs are boring!" you say. Well then, I have a simple solution for you. Don't go. "But it's double convocation credit." There are plenty of Thursdays left in the year, so use them instead of ruining other people's enjoyment.

All that this boils down to is a lack of maturity, and I hope that some time in the near future people will awaken to that fact. If not, I suppose we can seat those who really want to listen to the program in the balcony first, and make everyone who doesn't want to be there sit in the front row with a member of the faculty or staff sitting in every other seat.

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SPORTS

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Photo by Hollie Pujie

Matthew Higgins of team Slapshot tries to keep the puck away from team Faculty last Wednesday.



Photo by Rachel Day

Chad Nosek swings at an incoming ball Friday afternoon.

March Madness overshadows NBA

ETHAN NKANA
Sports Editor

As March Madness afflicts the nation, the NBA has seemingly taken a back seat to its collegiate counterparts. The National Basketball Association is roughly 70 games into their 82-game sea-

son, and the playoff picture is slowly taking shape.

Sacramento, Indiana and Detroit are the only teams that have solidified a spot in the playoffs, while Philadelphia and Seattle will probably have very open schedules come summer.

Philly, who hasn't missed the playoffs since the 1997-98 season, has had a tumultuous year with the loss of Coach Larry Brown and a sketchy coaching situation since then. With a record of 28-42*, it is not looking like they will be participating in this year's festivities.

On the flipside, the Cavaliers, who are coming off a league-worst 17-65 season, are clinging to the 8th spot in the

Eastern Conference. Lebron James, who has lived up to the expectations of many critics in his rookie season, hopes to put Cleveland on the map with a playoff berth.

James is a worthy candidate for the Rookie of the Year award, and if his Cavs make the playoffs it could be on lock for him. The other ROY candidate, Carmelo Anthony, has also had a phenomenal rookie campaign and is only a half-game out of

the 8th Western Conference playoff spot.

The Nuggets have an easier schedule finishing out the season than do Utah and Portland, who stand between the nuggets and the 8th spot. Denver could make it by the hair on their chins, but only if the Jazz and Blazers play poorly for the remainder of the season. I'm out like Iverson from Philly.

*All statistics valid as of March 22

Enjoying the Weather



Photo by Rachel Day

Jeremy Sharp catches a frisbee in front of Wright Hall Friday afternoon.

ETHAN NKANA
Sports Editor

Southern Division-leading Ice is Nice suffered their first loss at the hands of team Chastain. Team Chastain remains undefeated with their 4-2 victory over Ice is Nice.

Both teams played with sheer tenacity going after the puck full force. Matt Smith attributed Ice's success to their goalie, Alex King: "With our All Star goalie Alex King, we're unstoppable." Almost nine minutes into the contest Smith scored Ice's first goal with an assist from Josh Woods.

Chastain's goalie, Tabor Nudd, played exceptional hockey as he saved a variety of shot attempts from Ice's players. One of Nudd's saves came from a hard shot to the net from Ice's Donnie Miller. Opposing goalie, King, made a diving save on a shot from Chastain. Chastain rebounded his own shot and scored on his second attempt, tying the game at one point apiece.

Chastain's Nathan Henson missed a shot from the corner late in the first half and Tad Wilson cleaned up the mess putting the puck in the goal and giving Chastain a 2-1 advantage.

As the second half began, Woods had fire in his eyes. On the first possession Woods fought his way up the court and through defenders, scoring a goal in the midst of three of Chastain's defenders just 17 seconds into the half. Woods brought the Ice even with Chastain at 2-2.

After Ryan Lucht sat with 18 minutes remaining in the second half, Loren Barnhurst of Chastain wasted no time in taking advantage of the power play, scoring with a hard shot from nearly half court. Barnhurst gave Chastain a 3-2 lead.

Nudd had two glove saves in the second half and one diving save late in the game. King made a glove save of his own with only three minutes left to play. Late in the game, Ice pulled King to put another offensive player on the court, but this only proved to be detrimental as Coley Chastain scored on a breakaway against Smith.

Thomas of Ice.

Chastain improved their record to 3-0 while dropping the Ice is Nice to 3-1. Player of the Game: Tabor Nudd. Although he made a number of crucial saves, get by him, he made a number of crucial saves throughout the game and is possibly the reason that Chastain received the win.

Ice isn't always so nice



the campus Chatter

Week of: March 25 to April 1

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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Drop Your Drawers...That's Right! We want you to drop your NEW drawers for the homeless in Chattanooga! Each year, thousands of homeless people in Chattanooga give food, clothing and shelter from the Homeless Care Center of Chattanooga, and they receive a brand new pair of underwear because the center does not have the resources to buy underwear and give people that to donate them. So, next time you go shopping for yourself, remember to pick up a pack of men's, women's, or children's underwear in any size. Then "Drop Your Drawers" in one of the eight collection boxes located on campus, now through April 3rd. Locations: Dining hall, Brock Residence halls, Hickman, Wright Hall, Student Center. For information call Michelle at 238-2762.

SonRise Volunteers: SonRise 2004 is just around the corner on April 10. SonRise has been presented for the past eight years as a gift to the surrounding communities. There are many areas that need your help. Contact the person in the area you are interested in helping, or if you want more overall information on the different areas, contact Vanessa Keeper at (w) 238-2807, (h) 396-2436, or vkeeper@southern.edu, or Stephanie Williams at 396-2134 or sjwilliams@southern.edu.

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Participate, Raise Funds, Save Lives...The Collegedale American Heart Walk will be this Sunday, March 28, 2004, at the Imagination Station and Wolftever Creek Greenway. Registration starts at 2:00 p.m. Why we walk: heart disease kills 950,000 Americans every year. In Hamilton County, 1356 people died from Heart Disease, 710 of them were women. It is your choice to give a donation, but at least come down Sunday and help build awareness and ultimately save lives. For more information contact Michelle Shufelt at 2762.

CLUBS & DEPARTMENTS

Introduction: to Philosophy (HMT 210) will be taught second semester next year instead of first. If your taste runs to philosophy you may wish to include this in your course planning for 2004-05.

Southern Scholars Vespers will be at the home of Dr. Wilma McClarty on Friday, March 26, at 7:30 p.m. This will be a time for fellowship, food and inspiration. Dr. Jan Haluska will be the guest speaker for vespers. Please call 3381 to make your intentions known or sign-up at Brock Hall 317. Transportation is available if needed.

English and History majors are invited to enter the Walter H. Stamper essay contest. \$1,000.00 scholarship to the winner of the essay contest, "What's Right with America." Contest guidelines are available at Brock Hall 317.

Come to Asean Night, Saturday March 27: The annual festival for Asean Club features our Asean culture here at Southern in a night where food, dances, and blazing martial arts come alive. Asean Night will be held in Iles P.E. Center (the gym), at 8 p.m., on Saturday.

The artwork of Alison Stigora will be on exhibit in the Brock Gallery of Southern Adventist University. The show opening is this Saturday, March 27th, at 7:30 p.m. The paintings will be on display through April 2nd. For more information call 423 238 2723.

SERVICE 101

COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY 2004

RACHELLE KERR
SA RELATIONS

Community service day is a full school day dedicated to serving the Chattanooga community. It is an opportunity to serve in the tradition of Christ's service to others.

"I loved to watch the gratitude on the people's faces," said Sharon Rho, junior mass communication/advertising major. "Their smiles and thankfulness to us really made me feel good."

Southern is giving you an opportunity on April 8 to lend a helping hand in bettering the Chattanooga community. If you think that your talents don't fit into the service projects, think again. There are 50 diverse sites available to serve at. Signups for these sites is going on now. Log on to sa.southern.edu and follow the links to Community Service day.

Most students who participate in Community Service Day come away feeling blessed.

"I clearly remember my first Community Service Day here at Southern. A group of us went to help out at the Alton Park Development Center, a community center in Chattanooga. We organized, painted bookshelves, and I got to help paint a mural for the day care center they operated. For me, a non-art major with zero experience, this was quite an interesting ordeal. No one had ever let me paint on walls before! Fortunately, our efforts were blessed and the center was extremely grateful for our help. They sent us thank you cards and said the kids really liked the mural," said Michelle Doucoumes, junior accounting major.

"My first Community Service Day changed my life. It gave me a

whole new perspective on service and the unmet needs in Chattanooga. It has impressed me with the need to help in the community where I live and share the love and blessings that God has so freely given to me. It is my hope that Community Service Day will not be just one date on my calendar, but a 365-day commitment to the community in which I live. I want to reach out every day and not just one," said Paul Hoover, senior business administration major.

The schedule for the day is as follows:

9:00	breakfast begins (in cafeteria)
9:30	worship
10:00	leave for service sites
11:00 - 3:00	volunteer
3:30 - 5:00	dinner with most's southwest grill (in front of Wright hall)

CALNDAR

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

11:00 am Convocation - Hasei Lectureship (Church)
5:00 pm Social Work Field Practicum Application due (Department)
7:00 pm Career Decision-Making Workshop (Student Seminar Room)
BIRTHDAYS: Richard Duba, Justin Evans, Erin Marburger, Gio Martin, Jessica McGraw, Donnie Miller, Adrienne Walker, Bob Burks, Merritt MacLafferty

FRIDAY, MARCH 26

6:30 pm Sunset
8:00 pm Vespers - ASIAN Club (Church)
BIRTHDAYS: Alice Austin, Tiffany Chin, Greg Edge, Eliza Ferraro, Jose Loza, Cady Van Dolan, Rita Vital, Joy Wintermeyer, Mary Lou Soyar

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

9:00 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
10:00 am The Third - Mike Fulbright (Iles)
9:45 am "Student Center Sabbath School" (Student Center)
10:00 am "Another Sabbath School" (Theater South Activity Room)
Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
11:30 am Youth Ministries (Meet in front of Wright Hall)
2:00 pm Everlasting (Church)

6:30 pm ASIANS Club Night (Iles)
8:00 pm **BIRTHDAYS:** Gillian Byers, Lauren Clifton, Aaron Colan, Jared Davis, Jim Aumack, Carla Smith

SUNDAY, MARCH 28

7:30 pm Symphony Orchestra Concert - Convocation Credit (Church)
BIRTHDAYS: Melissa Allred, May Anderson, Rennie Bodden, Misty Crane, Jee-Hyun Huang, Rebecca Ruf, Janelle Sears, Melissa Taylor, Melvin Taylor, Verla Rhonda Van Lange, Megan Wiley, Keda Bidwell

MONDAY, MARCH 29

4:00 pm University Assembly
Full Registration (March 29 - April 2)
Faculty Summer Textbook Order due, Campus Shop
BIRTHDAYS: Sharon Adele, Angela Carver, Stephanie Greene, Emmalee Hart, Kelly Jones, Sandra Lewis, Katie Marcussen, Chris Rafe, Clifford Williamson, Bruce Ashton

TUESDAY, MARCH 30

7:00 pm Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Theater)
BIRTHDAYS: Celeste Angell, Stephanie Jaeger, Jani Meharry, Ted Prouty, Jodi Wampler, Frank DiLemmo, Jane Mote, James Stroud

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

BIRTHDAYS: Derrick Anderson, Dushon Brown, Jaribeth Carnahan, Duane Davis, Jennifer Knaute, Jamie Muhlenbeck, Lisa Stilogoy, Janene Dunston, Santhosh Mathews, Rosalie Rasmussen, Ingrid Skantz

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

12:00 am Convocation - Asian Heritage (Church)
Pre-View Southern (1-2)
BIRTHDAYS: Jermaine Anderson, Keith Bowman, Stephen Garner, Nestor Nunes, Arnt Sjoebren, Jens Bruckner, Karen Morgan, Sandra Tuomby

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Top Ten Reasons I am not upset I have only received one entry in the Win a Date with Your Friendly Neighborhood Humor editor

BRIAN STITZER
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1. None would have been worse.
2. I am not as desperate as people assume.
3. I think judging more than one entry would have been hard.
4. Now I can snag sympathy dates.
5. I rarely sleep so my senses are dulled.
6. At least I don't get hate mail...
7. Except from Canadians
8. Upon close inspection of the list to this point I think I am as desperate as people assume.
9. Wehmail was down for a few hours this last week I assume that is when most of the lovely ladies of Southern tried to enter.

And the number one reason I am not in a deep pit of depression is...

1. Um, I don't know...I'm an optimist...maybe?

Ode to Worship Quotas

I love worship time
At seven and ten
But not at nine
I sit in the hard pew
Listen to a short talk
And think of all I've to do
I fear alone I would sit
If not for the genius deans
And the idea of worship credit
Yes though God gave us free choice
Southern feels compelled to voice
Leaving their students with out a voice
For this I am glad
It improves on my mood
I can't imagine it being something bad
I wouldn't want it to be my thought
When ever time to worship came round
Then how often would God be sought
Oh it's true there are those that grumble
And I can see their point
But with out force we could stumble
So three cheers for the Worship Quotas
They make life so grand
I just think they should serve sodas

INSIGHTFUL INSIGHTS

By Jon Palmer

The weather in Tennessee has me slightly perturbed.

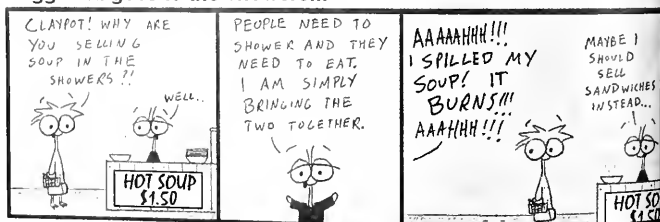
Spring has sprung

KASANDRA RODRIGUEZ
STAFF WRITER

You know when it's Spring at Southern Adventist University when...
-The ratio of robins to SAU students are 50:1
-Some trees bloom to smell like fish.
-Landscapes Services change all the flowers on campus again!
-The water fountain in front of Lynn Wood Hall is working.
-Love is in the air...oh wait...my bad, that's been going on

since the first day of school last fall!
-The temperatures for SPRING here equal the average temperature in Pennsylvania during the SUMMER!
-The birds are still up at night chirping away—even at 11:00 p.m. when one is trying to sleep.
-And finally, how to know it's Spring at SAU is when "Your Friendly Neighborhood Humor Editor" sets himself up for a contest to try to win a date (I think he's desperate, ladies).

Jugghead goes to the showers...



by Justin Janetzko

All of the dead horses I could come up with

BRYAN STITZER
Humor Editor

I, as usual, am a day late and dollar short. I have come to the day we go to print and half my humor page is empty. So in true procrastinator fashion, I took a nap. But after my nap I realized I receive \$15 a week for this page and I would hate to lose that boost to my cash flow. The prize in mind I took a stroll through my stable of dead horses. What dead horse could I beat at length so as to fill my page, secure my 15 dollars and take another nap?

I looked in the first stall and there was the weather. What fun the weather can be especially here in wonder-freakin'-ful

Tennessee. It is so cold when you walk to your 8 a.m. class that you wear a parka, a big fuzzy green hat and gloves. But by noon it is so hot that you sell your parka to a roving Spalding student for ten cents and a Bazooka Joe wrapper. And you're chilling in your shorts taking in the rays. But then about seven in the evening it is once again dagum stinkin' cold out. Your forced to buy a parka from a very familiar looking Spalding student for like a hundred dollars and a Bazooka Joe wrapper. But really, how funny is talking about the weather for hours on end? I moved on.

In the next stall stands the lamp-in-front-of-Thatcher horse. As soon as the sun goes down, if you look to the lamp in

front of Thatcher you are sure to see a couple in the throes of love. They bug, they kiss, they display their lover for all to see. It really is quite beautiful. In fact, as the night goes on, you can actually see a line forming as eager couples wait for a chance in the spot-er lamplight. I thought I could have a lot of fun making...er...fun of these loving folks. But I must confess I too have spent an evening shall remain nameless due to the fact she is still an avid reader of my page. But it was a magical time and I would be hard-pressed to ridicule those who enjoy it. I moved on.

I then came to a horse that hasn't been

beaten all year—marriage! It wasn't exactly healthy, but was healing quite nicely. Wow, what a find. There are so many jokes. I almost jumped for joy. I could say...um...I mean I could talk about how...well...I don't know how to say this but I have no clue. I am drawing a blank. I don't have a single joke about marriage. I...I feel kinda weird about that. Oh well, I moved on.

I guess I just can't think of a single thing to write an article about. I guess I'll try to run another picture or contest or some other gimmick so my bosses at the Accent get off my back. Maybe I'll write a top ten or a poem or something.

Anyway, Love, peace, & chicken goodness.

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Students set to serve

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An estimated 300 students are signed up to serve on Community Service Day on April 8. This annual event gives students the opportunity to serve the area of Chattanooga. If caught, the caller might face reckless endangerment charges, which could lead to jail time.

The mission of the school is to prepare students for a life of service," said Rachelle Kerr, Community Service Day coordinator. "By serving we are putting that mission into action."

Southern Striders, a running club on campus, is getting into action by raising money for the Make a Wish Foundation. According to Bryce Martin, president, the club is hoping to earn \$1,500 for the foundation by accepting pledges for running a certain amount of miles. Martin plans on running 11 miles while

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Computer Club offers free repairs

ANNE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Members of the computer club will give students' computers free of charge on April 18 from 1-5 p.m. "Computer Fix-It Day" will be held in the atrium of the Human Science Center and is open to the public.

"You bring it, we fix it - that's basically it," David Cavanaugh, master's student in software engineering, said.

Computer Fix-It Day is the computer club's way of providing community service.

"It's a good opportunity for computing students to do stuff together and do something for the community as well," Computer Club President Trevor Hirsch said.

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Hoax leads police to storm Brock Hall

SALEISHA WILLIAMS / DON CANTRELL
STAFF WRITER NEWS EDITOR

The identity of a prank caller, who prompted police to storm Brock Hall Friday, remains a mystery. College Dale police and Campus Safety have a few leads, including phone calls traced to the McKee Library and the Student Center.

In an email to all students on Monday, Vinita Sauder, vice president for marketing and enrollment services, expressed sympathy for the students who were targeted by the hoax as well as those students whose classes were interrupted. "The incident was a cruel joke that no one finds funny," Sauder said.

Before the university's official statement to students, rumors swirled about the events which took place Friday morning. According to Campus Safety, the episode was not connected to a fistfight in KR's Thursday afternoon.

Another rumor posted to an online message board speculated a student had a bomb strapped to her body and there were shots fired.

The actual sequence of events, based on official police reports, Campus Safety interviews, as well as eye-witness accounts obtained by "The Accent," paint a much different story.

College Dale Police responded to an anonymous phone call received by Campus Safety Friday morning. According to a College Dale Police press release, the caller reported seeing a man arguing and waving a handgun at a female student outside Brock Hall. Before abruptly hanging up, the caller said the couple walked into the building and the female student was in immediate danger, police said.

Following emergency procedures, Campus Safety promptly contacted police, who responded with a tactical team of plain-clothed and uniformed officers. Acting on the caller's claim of a student's life in jeopardy, police entered the building around 9:30 a.m. with weapons drawn and located the two students inside room 112.



Photo by Joseph Buckley

Sgt. Eston Pyle assisted in protecting the allegedly threatened student.

Upon locating the female, officers removed her from the Comp 102 class. With pistols in hand, two officers escorted her to a secure location. The male student, falsely implicated by the prank caller, was detained and searched to ensure he was not carrying a weapon.

During the incident, Campus Safety secured Brock by locking all exterior doors. Officers told students to remain in their classrooms until it was determined that there were no threats to

safety. The entire incident was over in about 20 minutes. At about 9:50 a.m. students were told it was safe to leave their classrooms.

"It now appears the incident was a hoax," said Rob Howell, Southern's director of public relations.

The incident struck fear and confusion into the hearts of some who witnessed the police action. Several in the Comp 102 class said some of the officers

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Photo by Melissa Purdie
Student nurse Michelle Bobbitt checks the blood pressure of a patient Sunday afternoon before College Dale's Second Annual Heart Walk.

"The freedom of the press is one of the great bulwarks of liberty, and can never be restrained but by despotic governments"

-George Mason
the Virginia Bill of Rights, 1776

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Service

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The SAU English Club will be serving at Crab Tree Farms, a local nursery. "We wanted to do something outside and away from libraries and books," said Alexa Merickel, president.

According to Merickel there was a high interest in serving at Crab Tree Farms among English Club members. The site was filled to capacity in the first week.

Other clubs and organiza-

tions are still looking for students to volunteer.

"We need people to sign up," said Kathy Souchet, American Humanities program administrator.

The Communication Club and American Humanities Organization will be aiding Girls Inc.'s move to a different building location as well as assisting Boy Scouts of America with flower planting and cleaning projects. Sign up sheets for the Communication and American Humanities service sights can be found in the

School of Journalism and Communication.

A free breakfast will be served to students who participate at 9:00 a.m. in the Cafeteria. Moe's Southwest Grill will provide a free supper from 3:30-5:00 p.m. in front of Wright Hall.

There are currently 650 volunteer positions available. Students can sign up on-line by visiting the Student Association Web site at <http://sa.southern.edu> through April 2.

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waved their guns and made all students stand against a wall.

"I was scared, because the cops were failing their guns in the air and telling us to stay in the classroom," said Tonya Boyer, a student attending John Keyes' Intro to Public Speaking class in room 119, around the corner from room 112.

Other students were critical of how police officers treated the male student. "The cops all held guns to him while they were searching him on the ground. They treated him like a criminal, which he's not," said Nisha Blanton, a bystander and friend of the male student.

Security officials say their response followed official protocol for a gun threat in a school.

"Prior to [the shootings at] Columbine, we would stay outside until we knew what was going on. Now, we go in and try to stop it," Avant said. Students were told to stand against a wall to remove them from doorways and possible flying bullets.

Collegedale Police Sgt. Eston Pyle agreed.

"Although we're glad to find no one in danger, we still have to treat every report, anonymous or not, as if it has the potential to become dangerous," Pyle said in a press release.

The students, whom the caller implicated, declined to comment on their ordeal. Accused efforts decided not to identify the hoax victims by name or photograph.



Photo by Sheryl Sealey
Officer Bledsoe runs to secure first floor Brock, as seen through a window in room 102.

Fix-it day

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In addition to Southern's Computer Club, members of Covenant College's computer club might also help with the event, Ehrlich said.

The computer club decided to hold another Computer Fix-It Day after last semester's had a strong turnout.

"People who weren't able to come the first time asked if we could have another one," said Darlene Williams, secretary for the School of Computing.

Most of the problems the Computer Club can fix are software problems; hardware repair is often very costly or next to impossible.

"If a part's broken, there's not much you can do," Ehrlich said. For many software problems, the best solution is to back up data and reinstall Windows.

"Often that's the easiest way to fix the problem," Ehrlich said.

The whole process of reformulating the computer could take up to 90 minutes, Cavanaugh said.

For the best results, Ehrlich suggests that people who want their computers fixed should first back up all their data. They should bring their computers in as early as possible to ensure that the Computer Club has enough time to fix the problem.

"All they have to bring is the box; don't worry about the mouse and keyboards," Ehrlich said. They should also bring in any installation CDs, especially Windows.

"It's also a good idea to know whether you have a software or hardware problem," Williams said.

BRIAN MAGSPOC
STAFF WRITER

SA Senate has approved \$10,000 worth of new projects. The approved projects included about \$3,250 for monitors displaying a digital clock and announcements, similar to ones installed in Telge, Thatcher, Thatcher South and Wright Hall. Senator Matt Newbern, junior biology major, introduced the possibility of obtaining plasma

monitors. Newbern suggested getting a grant from Sony, which might enable the university to get the monitors for free. However, Bill Wohlers, vice president of student services, referred to Newbern's proposal as a "pipe dream."

"[Information Services director] Henry Hicks does not see that Sony is going to give us basically \$100,000 for plasma screens," said Wohlers. After some debate over the possibility of getting plasma monitors, the senate passed the vote on a proposal to add 13 new display monitors. These new monitors would display different graphics, including short promotional videos for SA events, said Vice President Jessica Landess, junior marketing major.

"I would like to see that there

be a second monitor in certain locations and have second productions that wouldn't just be scrolling information," Wohlers said.

The Senate also approved the \$3,000 purchase of new exercise equipment for Thatcher Hall. The final proposal included an exercise bike and a stair-stepper machine.

"The new proposals faced opposition from some senators, who felt the projects being funded had been changed without proper authorization from the rest of the Senate.

It seemed that money already appropriated to fund the new monitors was being put into exercise equipment for Thatcher.

"So we are taking money that benefits everyone to give money

to the select few in the girls' dorm?" Senator Joel Willis, archaeology major asked.

Perturbed senators complained that proposals had been changed not only in the amount of funding they would receive, but also the items themselves.

Parliamentarian Ted Prouty, mass communication major, was quick to provide clarification.

"It was discussed generally and tentatively and the money was not appropriated to any one place," Prouty said.

Senate also passed a proposal to spend \$3,400 on new wireless microphones for the university's Audio-Visual department. The mics will be used in SonRise and replace equipment destroyed by water in the Lynn Wood Hall fire. It passed with no debate.

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Aseans night



Photo by Nathan Slomov
Eduardo Cast and
Eldine Rada play
Corno Thinking
during Aseans
night on Saturday.

Music dean calls reaccreditation visit 'positive'

SHANE GALLATIN
STAFF WRITER

Southern was visited earlier this month by two representatives of the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM) for a reaccreditation of the School of Music. Scott Ball, dean of the school of music said the visit was "overwhelmingly positive." To become an accredited member of the NASM means meeting certain standards for education. Reaccreditation is not required, but strongly recommended.

The first accreditation (which the School of Music received in 1968) is good for five years. After that, every reaccreditation is good for 10 years. The entire process takes about a year, and begins with the school creating a self-study document, which addresses things such as the school's facilities, library, curriculum, number of majors, etc. Two evaluators are selected from other schools in the country, and are given the self-study report to look over no less than four weeks before

their visit.

David Lynch, from Meredith College in North Carolina and Patrick Malone of the Baptist College of Florida were selected to evaluate Southern's School of Music. They arrived by plane on Sunday, March 14, and took a tour of the facilities. The next two days were spent sitting in on classes, rehearsals, lessons, a recital and just generally seeing how the school works.

As far as having visitors looking over the faculty's

shoulders, "It didn't really bother us," said Ken Parsons, associate professor of music. "All of us have gone through some similar kind of evaluation; you don't become a teacher without someone looking over your shoulder, so you sort of get used to it."

In addition to the visitation, two town hall-type meetings were held, one with the only faculty present with the other with music majors only.

Laurie Minner, associate professor of music said, "They wanted to know how the

school works and what steps we take to ensure that the students get what they need."

Dr. Ball said that in his interview with NASM, both evaluators said they liked what they saw. They were impressed with the teachers, facilities, all musical groups, the curriculum and how involved the students are that who are not music majors.

All in all, the visit went very well, and while it could be some time before the school is officially reaccredited, the feeling is very optimistic.

Student photos premier in gallery

JEFFREY TUELL
STAFF WRITER

Southern students Jacqui Sooley and Marcella Colburn had photographs accepted at the Penumbra Gallery and Studio in Asheville, North Carolina.

The opening night for the exhibit was March 27, and the exhibit will be open until May 19.

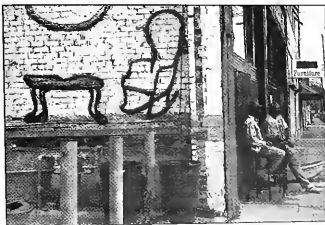
The School of Journalism and Communication is happy about the success of the students. "Getting their pictures accepted for display in a photography gallery affirms the instruction that is given in our photography classes," said Volker Henning, dean of the school of Journalism and Communication. "Through these classes and the guidance of their instructors, they have perfected their technique sufficiently to have their work accepted for public showing in the Penumbra Gallery."

"Photography is a way that shows how I view the world," said Jacqui, a junior with a major in mass communication/editing and writing with a minor in photography.

Jacqui said that having her photograph accepted into a gallery was a big step for photography. She said galleries usually display more art photography than photojournalism type photography.

Jacqui's photo, "Main Street," was a candid picture of two men sitting in front of a furniture store on Main Street in Chattanooga, with graffiti depicting furniture on the brick wall of the building. She took the picture while walking downtown with photographer Kathleen Cole the Chattanooga Times Free Press.

Jacqui became interested in photography while she was in high school. Jacqui currently works as a photographer for



"Main Street" by Jacqui Sooley



"Tappance a Bag" by Marcella Colburn

"The Accent," "Memories" yearbook, the Strawberry Festival and is the head photo lab assistant. One of her pictures will also be printed in the June issue of "Photography Forum, The Best of College Photography 2004." She plans on getting her masters in photojournalism and masters in journalism and plans to work with a newspaper and also in mission work.

Marcella submitted her picture along with Jacqui when Chris DiCicco, who teaches introduction to photography, brought in contest pamphlets to class.

Marcella's picture, "Tappance a Bag," captures pigeons in flight around the fountain in Trafalgar Square in London, England.

Marcella plans on pursuing a career in photojournalism by continuing with her education at Brooks Institute of Photography in California. She would love to travel for her job or work for the Seventh-day Adventist church and eventually become a university professor.

Marcella said her father and grandfather sparked her curiosity in photography when she was a small child. When she came to Southern and took photography classes, her love for photography was awakened further.

For more information about Penumbra Gallery visit <http://www.penumbra-gallery.com/home.htm>.

JODI HEROD
STAFF WRITER

This Sabbath, April 3, The 3rd church service will be held at Red Clay State Park. This is the third year that the service has been moved outdoors. Jessica Williams, who is on The 3rd planning team, said that approximately 300 meal tickets have been given away, and they are planning on even more people coming.

Williams, a senior Religion major, has attended The 3rd at Red Clay for the past two years and is looking forward to going again. "It was a different setting, being outdoors to worship God. It was relaxed and a nice alternative," she said.

The question of parking has come up, with Red Clay now charging \$2 per vehicle. Williams said that when vehicles come into the park Sabbath morning, a park ranger will be standing there. Drivers should tell the ranger that they are with The 3rd he will take down the vehicle's license plate number, and The 3rd will cover the cost.

Williams said that at this point it is too late to get meal tickets for after the service. But those who wish to stay after and bring their own food are welcome.

Ashley Lyons, junior nursing major, has enjoyed her previous experience with The 3rd at Red Clay. "I'm looking forward to this Sabbath. Being so busy with nursing classes all during the week, it will be nice to take a break and spend some time outside worshipping God," she said.

Tiffany Tuell, sophomore international communications major, is excited about going to Red Clay this Sabbath. "I've never been to church out at Red Clay, but other people I've talked to really enjoyed it last year. I'm looking forward to going," she said.

Alternatives in case of bad weather are a concern for many people. Williams said that if the weather looks questionable, information will be posted on The 3rd's web site by 8 a.m. Sabbath morning. Just go to <http://third.southern.edu>.

Heart Walk



Photo by Melissa Purdie

Southern students Danielle Muhlenbek, left, and Laura Cates, right, walk Sunday afternoon with Edith Bromley and Mary Brooks during Collegedale's Second Annual Heart Walk.

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Brumagin leads Insight workshop

TIFFANY TUELL
STAFF WRITER

Students can earn one hour of credit in one week, May 10-13, with the Insight Workshop.

Michelle Brumagin, associate editor of Insight magazine will be on campus working alongside students to write stories for publication in the Southern Adventist University issue of Insight magazine.

"This is a great opportunity to improve your writing skills one on one with an editor and to get your stories published," said Janita Herod, secretary of the School of Journalism and Communication.

"Rarely do you get to work one on one with an editor to find what they are really looking for," said Becky Jarvis, a senior in mass communication.

This chance is not limited to English and journalism students. Anyone can take the class.

Students write stories about events that actually happened. The stories can be about the writer's own life. Poetry is also accepted.

Students can receive up to \$100 if their story is published.

"If you do what I say, there's a high likelihood that your story will end up in Insight! And if you do what I say, there's a high likelihood that your writing will end up in other magazines as well. If you are serious about publication, you won't want to miss this class!" said Michelle Brumagin, associate editor for Insight magazine.

Students who have taken the class have really enjoyed it. "I loved the class! When working one-on-one with an editor, you get your story as near to perfection as possible," said Jodi Herod, a sophomore public relations major.

The workshop lasts from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. every day, Monday through Thursday.

"It took a lot of time writing, but it was worth it," said Marcella Colburn, whose major is mass communication with an emphasis in writing/editing.

Each class period begins with worship and then the topic for the day is presented. Then stu-

dents begin writing.

"Working with the editor was very helpful and I enjoyed the discussions we had about what makes a great story," said Jill Hardesty, a junior with a major in international communication. "We edited and edited our stories, again and again, and when I was done, I had never spent so much time with my writing before, but we came out with something I could be proud of."

Students who are interested in the Insight workshop can sign up for it at the School of Journalism and Communication until April 16. Registration for the workshop begins May 3.

The workshop costs the same as one hour of credit but half the price of a workshop price.



Michelle Brumagin

Montana Repertory Theatre performs at UTC

KELLY MCALIFFE
STAFF WRITER

"I don't want realism; I want magic," said Blanche Dubois in the emotionally heavy play "A Streetcar Named Desire."

I left UTC's Fine Arts Center after a Thursday night performance weighed down by Tennessee Williams' world of wounded people and their ill-fated choices. The Pulitzer Prize-winning drama brutally subjects its audience to issues of prejudice, sexuality and abuse, presenting a picture of life that is perhaps too real to accept.

The story centers on Blanche Dubois, a destitute Southern belle, and her

descent into madness. Upon losing her job as an English teacher, Blanche comes to live with her younger sister Stella and Stella's husband Stanley Kowalski. Tempers flare as Blanche's aristocratic airs clash with Stanley's earthy practicality. Though she is not bappy at her sister's home, Blanche hopes to find love and stability with Mitch, Stanley's poker-playing friend.

But no one in the play is without a blackened history, and their closeted skeletons begin to bang down the doors, threatening their tentative happiness. Products of their pasts, Williams' characters fall victim to carnal desire,

and it destroys them.

The play, performed by the Montana Repertory Theatre, was flawlessly executed. The actors delivered the snappy, emotionally-charged dialogue nearly perfectly. Matthew Brumlow (Stanley) and Amy Laxnetta (Blanche) were especially good, capitalizing on the heart-breaking humanity of their respective characters.

Tennessee Williams is considered one of America's greatest playwrights. Often setting his plays in the South, Williams focuses on the desperation of humanity in an irrational universe. "The Glass Menagerie," "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" and "A Streetcar Named Desire" are

his most famous works. (There are film versions of the latter two.)

But be warned, Williams confronts controversial issues head-on and scoffs at populist endings. His plays are not for the faint of heart.

Note: The Montana Repertory Theatre is a touring company based out of the University of Montana. In recent years, they have performed "To Kill a Mockingbird," "The Diary of Anne Frank," and "Death of a Salesman." Keep an eye out for their 2005 tour of "Steel Magnolias." More information is available on the Web site <http://www.montanarep.org>.

Has grandma started a new trend?

SALEISHA WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Knitters and crocheters have appeared in many a corner at Southern lately. The pastime, once thought to be grandmotherly, seems to have engulfed Southern's campus.

Katie Marcussen, sophomore nursing major, started crocheting in January 2004 when a friend at Southern taught her how. Now she sits in the Computer Concepts class and passes time by crocheting. She is currently working on a blanket for her boyfriend.

But it isn't just the girls who are practicing the domestic art. Southern's male students and faculty have also been spotted working with needles.

Clifford Williams, an Information Systems computer programmer, has been knitting since he was nine years old. He even taught his daughter Renie Williams, junior mass communications major, how to knit.

"I like [knitting]. It feels good. There is a certain satisfaction in knowing that I made that. Basically though, it's because it feels good," Williams said.

One might wonder what differentiates knitting from crocheting. Crocheting is needlework done with a single thread or yarn and hooked needle. Knitting, on the other hand,



Photo by Rachel Jay

Janelle Stotz knits during Chorale last Friday afternoon.

forms fabric by interlacing yarn or thread in connected loops with two needles, according to the Merriam-Webster dictionary.

Junior animation major Jim Turner taught himself how to crochet about a year ago. He likes being able to create things on his own.

"As a man, I enjoy crocheting because of the soft benefits it produces," Turner said.

"It's the progress of it, and

seeing what I've done. That's what I like about crocheting," Marcussen said.

Most students and faculty buy their needlework supplies from Wal-Mart's fabric section or from Michael's, an arts and crafts store. Both stores are about 20 minutes away from Southern.

Is needlework a passing fad, or is it here to stay? Only time can answer that question.

Try Fiesta Grill for a taste of Mexico

NATHALIE MAZO
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Thinking about having Mexican tonight? Try Fiesta Grill it's the small family-owned restaurant located in Hamilton Place Mall, just across from California Pizza Kitchen. They have a variety of things on the menu, from quesadillas to fajitas, all within a \$10 price range. They also have a vegetarian menu that includes vegetarian chimichangas and fajitas.

On my first trial visit to the restaurant, I ordered the quitos meal, which was fried tortillas stuffed with my choice of vegetables and if I wanted, meat. Not only was the meal fantastic, but the server delivered the meal in what I thought was lightning speed. I have never been served food that fast at any sit-down restaurant. Because I was so satisfied with the meal, I then decided that maybe I should try some dessert. My choice was the ice cream. The dessert was more than I had expected. In fact, it was delicious!

I noticed there was a little note from the restaurant on their menu, which went like this: "We welcome you and hope you enjoy yourself. If you are not familiar with Mexican food, please read our food descriptions. With your permission, we suggest the special dinners. Not for the price, but because they are

consistent with your convenience. All of our Mexican food is hot. Not all our dishes are meticulously prepared with an authentic yet mild flavor. For those who like it hot, ask the server for hot sauce. Let us introduce you to Mexican food. Thank you!"

For more information on the restaurant, call 899-8844.

So who plants your flowers?



Photo by Jacqui Seely
Elise LaPlant, foreground, weeds with fellow Landscape employees Deanna Harris and Lori Blaisdell in this file photo.

Beat the heat with Clumpies' stress-relieving ice cream

NATHALIE MAZO
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

As the weather remains fickle in its choice of temperature and springtime blossoms, today I reflected on how wonderful God's creations were. As I was contemplating life, I started to think about how my day had been. I thought about my meeting with my advisor and wondered if I was going to be able to graduate on time. Then I thought about what my plans were going to be for the summer, followed by a thought on whether or not I was going to be able to finish my paper on time.

All of a sudden, my brain felt like it was going into mega overdrive and I knew right then and there that I was completely stressing myself out. I was just thinking way too much.

But let's face it. There are going to be days when you just want to stop thinking because you're probably going to drive yourself mad. When it gets to that point, the advice I give to you is to first STOP THINKING and embrace what a great day it really is. Then stop what you're doing and take a little trip to Clumpies' ice cream parlor in

downtown Chattanooga.

It might sound a little far away, but with the thought of having delicious chocolate chip cookie dough ice cream or even a raspberry sorbet, all on top of a waffle cone, it's like a magnetic force field that pulls me in, slowly but surely.

Clumpies has a variety of ice cream fit for everyone's needs. If the weather is hot and humid, try the mango sorbet; it's my personal favorite. If you've just

worked out and want something cold, they even offer a few low-fat choices of ice cream.

But the very best about Clumpies is that it's right next to Coolidge Park where you can walk around, sit, relax and enjoy two scoops of your favorite ice cream. Clumpies' is located on the strip of River Street So take a break in the midst of madness and enjoy your favorite ice cream at Clumpies.

"Patience" proves more than a mere virtue

KELLY MCAULIFFE
STAFF WRITER

As luck would have it, a friend told me that Chattanooga State and UTC were presenting "Patience," a Gilbert & Sullivan opera on Sunday night (for only \$5). Since my general approach to school is to do anything other than homework, I decided to forget about the term paper looming over my head and take in a little lecture. Though perhaps an unwise decision, it's one I don't regret.

Gilbert & Sullivan, best known for the campy "Pirates of Penzance," wrote 14 comic operas in the late 1800s. These pieces are some of the best-loved of the genre with their absurd characters, para-

doxical situations and gentle social satire.

"Patience" mocks the aestheticism of the 1870s and 80s when prolific but rather self-indulgent poets, painters and composers were all the rage.

At the start of the play, all the ladies of the village are infatuated with aestheticism and two poets—Bunthorne and Grosvenor. On the other hand, the poets are in love with Patience, a milkmaid who cares nothing for poetry. As the opera progresses, the dragons return home to woo back their brides. Patience discovers that love must be unselfish and Bunthorne makes a general fool of himself.

The performance was well done. The Cadec Community Orchestra, directed by Darrin Hasevoort, accompanied the singers with a lively score. Jan Cochrane, a music professor at Southern, was the stage director. The actors, a mix of students from Chattanooga State and UTC, nailed both their lines and arias.

All in all, it was enjoyable and an often hilarious performance. Upcoming shows at Chattanooga State include "Chattanooga," an improvisational comedy and "That Other Woman's Child," a bluegrass musical. For performance dates and ticket prices, visit <http://www.chattanoogaastate.edu> or call 423-697-3247.

Weddings



SHIVES - MOORHEAD

Mr. Doug Moorhead & Mrs. Irene Mueller request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Janelle Allison Moorhead to Mr. Jason Lee Shives, son of Pastor Shawn Shives and Mrs. Nephew Shives on Sunday, at 4 p.m. July 4, 2004, at Lake Seventh-day Adventist Church Apopka, FL.

Janelle attended Southern for 1 year then transferred to La Sierra University. She will graduate with a BS in biology and later go to Loma Linda University to get her Masters in biology. She aspires to become a professor at Southern.

Jason graduated from Southern in 2002 and is at Loma Linda Medical School where he serves as president of the 1st year class and executive vice-president for the University Student Association. He is an ensign in the Navy and an aspiring evangelist.

Janelle and Jason fell in love while enrolled in Southern's Gym-Masters.

'The Producers' comes to Nashville

KELLY MACAULIFFE
Staff Writer

Mark your calendars because this is one show you don't want to miss. "The Producers," a musical comedy written by Mel Brooks (of "Robin Hood: Men in Tights" fame), is showing now through April 4 at Nashville's Andrew Jackson Hall. It plays every evening except Monday, though prices and show times vary slightly.

Max Bialystock is a struggling Broadway producer. Leo Bloom is an accountant. The two team up to make big bucks and produce the worst musical to appear on Broadway. With a script written by an ex-Nazi that details Hitler's rise to power in a colorful song and dance routine, the two are sure they'll offend every patron of the arts.

"The Producers" has won more Tony Awards than any other musical comedy. (And how could it not with songs entitled "Spring Time for Hitler?") Starring Matthew Broderick and the affable Nathan Lane during its Broadway run, the show has been a long-time favorite and must-see. (Nashville's version casts Lewis J. Stadlen and Alan Ruck in the title roles.)

For more information about the show and ticket prices visit: <http://www.tpac.org> or call: 615-455-ARTS. But before you make the trip to Nashville, be warned. The play is geared for mature audiences, containing some adult language and content.

Chattanooga hosts Avalon concert

NATHALIE MAZO
Lifestyles Editor

The Christian group Avalon is dropping by Chattanooga Thursday, April 8th for their spring tour with Mark Schultz.

According to <http://www.tickets.com>, Avalon, considered a standard in Christian music since 1996, releases "The Creed," their sixth studio release, on Feb. 24. Closely approaching sales of over 2 million worldwide, "The Creed" displays an incomparable range of harmony and the unforgettable melodies for which Avalon is known.

Avalon enjoyed a very mem-

orable 2003, beginning with the collection of an American Music Award in January and ending with a recent CCM Readers Choice Award for "Group Of The Year." Some of Avalon's most notable career credits include a total of 20 #1 singles, 3 Dove Awards, 20 Grammy nominations and an American Music Award in 2002.

Mark Schultz has made quite an impact in Christian Music since releasing his self-titled debut in 2000. Seeing success in both Christian and mainstream radio with the heart-

gripping song "He's My Son," Schultz has continued to amaze audiences with his ability to craft a story that relates to the masses. Schultz has six #1 singles under his belt with mega-hits "I Am The Way," "Back in His Arms Again," "I Have Been There," "Remember 'He's My Son'" from his self-titled debut project and his sophomore release "Song Cinema." "You Are A Child of Mine," the first single from his most recent album, "Stories & Songs," quickly reached the #1 slot and held steady for seven weeks.

In addition to his success in radio, Schultz has also been awarded the 2003 BMI Christian Song of the Year for "Back In His Arms Again," 2001 American Songwriter Awards for both Christian Publisher of the Year and the Christian Song of the Year. He was also awarded the 2001 Beacon Award Recipient (from the Gateway Chapter of the Lenkemia & Lymphoma Society).

The concert will be at Memorial Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Ticket prices are \$18.50. For more information on the concert call 423-642-TXSS.

Gavin DeGraw's "Chariot" is worth the ride

KELLY MACAULIFFE
Staff Writer

Gavin DeGraw might not be as internationally renowned as John Mayer, but he's certainly building quite a fan base. With upbeat cuts like "Follow Through" spinning on the radio and "I Don't Want To Be" featured as the theme song of The WB's "One Tree Hill," people are beginning to take notice of this New York City native.

A soulful singer/songwriter, DeGraw was a favorite of downtown Manhattan's music scene prior to his debut album. Instead

of your typical guitar-driven rock, DeGraw writes piano-based ballads and anthems reminiscent of Ben Folds, a welcome change from the proliferation of everyman bands filling the airwaves (i.e. Nickelback, Creed, Fuel...need I go on).

Though some songs are certainly better than others, DeGraw's punchy pop-rock carries the album. It's one of the few albums I can get through without pushing the forward button. Standout numbers include "Just Friends," "Anyway" and "More

Than Anyone."

DeGraw wrote the words and music for each of the eleven tracks on the album. Lyrically the album is solid, though hardly profound. In "Crush" he quips, "When my pass came in, you dropped the ball/It didn't change the way I feel." "I Don't Want To Be" addresses the universal search for identity. "I'm tired of looking 'round rooms/Wondering what I've got to do/Or who I'm supposed to be/I don't want to be anything other than me."

Bottom Line: DeGraw's debut is a catchy compilation with a



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refreshing piano base. If you're a fan of songwriters like Pete Dinklage, Jack Johnson and Maroon 5, be sure to check this one out.

Spring has sprung



Photo by Steven Greely
Freshman Brad Vensho and Collegedade resident Elena Giacomozz with Golden Retriever Cody relax by the Duck Pond after playing fetch Thursday afternoon.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT RELIGION

Is God for Baghdad?

MATTHEW LUCIO
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With the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq occurring simultaneously, Christians have had to revive the millennial debate about how Christians should view war. Ever since Cain swung the first stone at Abel, all of humanity has been tied to a sick fate called war. Whether one wishes to participate in war or not, it has been touched by it some way at some time.

With the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, the world has put a new twist on us. Will the Christian Church, which professes Jesus

as its example, take a decided stand one way or the other? We have failed the test. To generalize, Christians in the Southern United States have typically been for the wars while Christians in the west have been against it. Globally, U.S. Christians have been slightly more for the wars than against. European Christians have nearly been 100 percent opposed to it. The opinion of Christians has basically split according to the region they live in. This seems to send a

clear message to the world: either the Bible does not apply to this topic or Christians do not care enough to find out what God believes about these wars.

The fact is that as Christians we often freely dole out our opinions on such issues without even thinking twice about what God thinks about it. Either we assume the Bible says nothing or we do not take the time to check. This leads us to sometimes be at odds with

value God's thoughts? David recounted in Psalm 139:17: "How precious are your thoughts to me, O God!" Our lives as Christians reflect upon the church and upon God whether we intend to or not. This means that our opinions and actions influence people's view of God, whether we realize it or not.

So forget what region of the country you come from. Forget about who in your family fought in what war or what they thought about it. Forget what your friends or parents think. What does God think? Did God influence America to go to war to remove

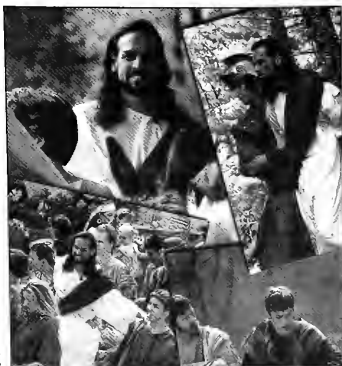
someone who had long opposed Him, namely Saddam Hussein? Or perhaps the work of God will further be hurt by the war in Iraq. What do we say about the Adventist church that was bombed in Baghdad?

Once we know the answers to these questions we can, as ambassadors of heaven, share with all what the official belief of our God's Government is, confident that we are representing Him who will end all wars. Now that's a worthy cause!

God. Can you imagine if the president came on television and said that he wanted to trade with another country only to have the president's ambassador to that country categorically deny he said anything? The president would immediately have him fired for contradicting him before the world. How much different from God's perspective when we who are called to speak for Him routinely neglect to discover what He wants?

How much do we really

"Will the Christian Church, which professes Jesus as its example, take a decided stand one way or the other? We failed the test."



The Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church and Southern Adventist University presents SonRise on Saturday, April 10. This interactive journey through the last hours of Christ's pre-crucifixion life takes guests back nearly 2,000 years. Over 500 church members and Southern students make up the cast of this pageant, which has been held every year since 1996. Tickets for students are available at the Chaplain's Office. Tickets are also available at MediaPlay, Lifeway Christian Bookstore and the Adventist Book Center.

For more information, or to get involved, contact Campus Ministries or visit <http://church.southern.edu/sonrise>.

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Talking with God

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The actor Peter O'Toole, well known for his portrayal of the main character in "Lawrence of Arabia," made an astounding statement, one that I hope was made in jest. "When did I realize I was God? Well, I was praying and I suddenly realized I was talking to myself," the esteemed actor stated.

Humor and sacrifice aside, not a few of us find ourselves feeling from time to time as if we are merely talking to ourselves while praying, that God is not listening and that our prayers are merely pious recitations that ring only in our own ears. Perhaps we wonder if God really listens, if He really pays close attention to the words we speak to Him. I have thought such thoughts before.

Jesus told a parable of two men who went to the temple to pray. The parable is recorded in Luke 18. The first man was a respected religious leader, dressed in luxurious clothes with a proud head to match. He boasted to God of his good deeds and extolled his own virtues. The second man was a despised publican, a social outcast who dared not even lift his head as he cried out to God. Jesus commented on these two praying men to His disciples. "I tell you that this publican, rather than the Pharisee, went home justified before God," said Jesus.

Jesus had a particular point He wished to communicate with His listeners, and His point was not exclusively about prayer. Yet this parable illustrates another principle, one that is quite clearly pertaining

to prayer. When we think God is not listening to our prayers, when we feel that there is no reason that He should, God is most certainly carefully listening to each word we utter.

The Bible teaches that God hears our prayers because of His love, not because of our condition. God listens when we cry out to Him because He cares, not because we are worthy. He asks us to believe that we feel. We are admonished to "walk by faith, not by sight," and we should also pray by faith not by feelings. Just as the publican in Jesus' parable, we can cry out to God, feeling unworthy and abandoned, and know with certainty that God is listening with the most loving of care. When we feel like God is not listening, that is when He is listening most carefully.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT

OPINION

SA-- blame them or change them

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Thumbs-up Thumbs-down By Justin Kobylka



Thumbs
up to the
awesome
A S E A N
night last
Saturday

evening. This was definitely the most fun Saturday night activity this year. The improv skits were great and very informative as well.



Thumbs
down to
janitors
who vacu-
um the
classroom
hallways during
class time. This is
extremely
distracting and
could be
done in the evenings.
Submitted by Jonathan
Thurmond



Thumbs
up to the
grounds
crew who
is already
turning

this campus into a beautiful spring sanctuary. Thanks for all of your hard work. It doesn't go unnoticed.



Thumbs
down to
worshipers
that turn
out to be
something
completely
different. Worshipers
are meant to promote
our spiritual well-being
and teach us to spend
specific time with God,
but worshipers have
often been hijacked by
the secular agenda of
the week.

At Southern Adventist University, the Student Association represents the student body in many different areas. The officers and senators compose the Student Association, the officers have executive power to carry out rules and regulations and the senators have legislative power to make new rules and regulations in the school. In many cases the Student Association is the only venue of representation that any student may have. Most students come to deal with the Student Association in almost everything that is not class-related. So, how should we relate to this association? Should we not care about it, and let it run things the way it wants? Or should we hold it close and be part of it? How about the officers' and senators' job performance? Are they excelling in their appointed and elected positions?

In the Jan. 31, 2004 edition of "The Southern Accent", guest columnist Ryan Child wrote an opinion piece entitled "Don't blame S.A. for bad policies." In his article, Child supported the Student Association by explaining how the association because of policies or rules that "the S.A. is crippled by" when they try to plan an event or activity. But whom should the student body blame when they are dissatisfied? The Student Association should be responsible because it represents the

student body and holds the power to make or change policies in their names.

In his essay, Child suggested that most people have become skeptical about going to the Valentine's Banquet but they should give it a chance. However, since I have lived at Southern there has always been a large turn out at this event, and the Student Association always seems to run out of tickets.

Though planning a banquet is not an easy task, leadership and organization skills are some of the many requirements Student Association officers must possess. If officers don't have these skills, they should not be in office. Child defends the Student Association by saying "S.A. officers that make all of the arrangements do the best job they know how."

In his article, Mr. Child blames the conservative rules of the school for making banquets and other events disappointing. He states this is because of the rules prohibiting "behavior, activities and music." But it's obvious that student like the event by how many show up. The student's handbook explains how a student must know the rules and be a good citizen in order to become a Student Association officer. So, if they are already officers it means that they know how to deal with the school's policies. And they should be able to work around these to provide students with top quality entertainment in

events.

The issue of money tops it all. Students do pay to go to events like this one, but they are very aware that it is not "a relatively inexpensive way to show someone special that you care for them and what an upbeat and fun person you are," as Child puts it. If you think about it there is money for the outfit, the dry cleaning, the flowers, the little present, the limousine, taxi or gas money, the pictures and on top of everything you still have to purchase a minimum of two \$20 tickets for you and your date.

So, isn't it fair for students to have expectations and have

them met by the planners, in this case the Student Association? If the SA officers are "the best the school has to offer" they should be held accountable for making not only the Valentine's banquet, but also every single major event the very best that there is. They are the ones in power and it's voluntarily. If not, there are 2,300 other students who at any time have the possibility of taking any officer's place in the Student Association. They can deliver to the student body, which it represents, the proper results that meet its needs and wants. So, is it fair? Judge yourself and see.

A look at the candidates

ANDREW BERMUDEZ
GUEST COLUMNIST

Are you tired of hearing about the presidential candidates yet? Have the Bush-bashers, the Kerry-haters, or the very existence of Ralph Nader driven you crazy yet? If your answer is yes, I have bad news. The election is still eight long months away. We have many more debates, advertisements and speeches to suffer through. But wait, shouldn't I, as a patriotic American, be interested and involved in the political processes of our nation? It may be hard, but over the next two weeks, I'm going to force myself to consider the options. Attention Brian Lauritzen and company! Read on for the only Bush-bashing you're ever likely to hear from me!

The incumbent Republican,

George W. Bush, has just over three years of job performance to be judged by. In those three years, he has shown that he has an impressive ability to overthrow oppressive, dictatorial regimes in faraway nations--not necessarily a bad skill to have. He handled the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks relatively well, and kept the country from going into total panic. (Would you really have wanted Al Gore in charge on Sept. 12?) President Bush upholds conservative family values that I agree with, such as opposing abortion and gay marriage and lowering taxes. But on the other hand, the "compassionate conservative" has failed to stand for other conservative values such as limited government and fiscal responsibility. The USA Patriot Act, supported by the President and encouraged by the Bush-appointed attorney general, John Ashcroft, dangerously weakens personal privacy rights in the name of national security. The federal debt, fed by continually higher spending, is growing at a record speed. The economy has also suffered during Bush's administration, although since economics is controlled by many long-term factors, chances are the economic downturn was coming regardless of who was in power. President Bush's foreign policy abilities have been shown to be less than stellar. Nearly every country now hates Americans and what we stand for. The case of the disappearing "weapons of mass destruction" casts a shadow on his honesty.

The alternative? John Kerry. Lest you think I've suddenly gone Democrat, tune in next week for a look at his record.

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Can the legal system get more ridiculous?

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I was browsing around a news source the other day, looking for material for my next article, when a headline caught my eye. "Player blamed coach for eating disorder," it said. Jennifer Besler, a former high school basketball player, filed a lawsuit against her coach, Daniel Hussong. The story goes that Coach Hussong suggested, during the 1995-96 season, that Besler lose 10 pounds to get herself into optimum basketball shape. Ten pounds.

Now, when Jennifer is 25, she weighs up to this lawsuit. Nine years after her coach suggested she lose pounds, Jennifer Besler sued

her high school coach for being the cause of her eating disorder. She stated that she never would have developed an eating disorder if it hadn't been for his words. She sued him. And won.

\$1.5 million. The things a person could do with 1.5 million dollars. Buy a house. Give to charity. Buy a Maybach. Compensate for an eating disorder?

This lawsuit, to me, is about as ridiculous as people suing tobacco companies for selling addictive products. Stupidity is the only thing these people suffer from. Where have we developed the notion that it's acceptable to shift the blame for our own shortcomings around - even benefit from our own faults at the expense of others?

I'd like to share a few more observations regarding this story. While it is true that it may have taken Miss Besler some time to develop her eating disorder, then quite some time longer still to analyze and trace its roots to a suggestion given to her nearly a decade earlier, but still ... nine years? It seems to me her time would have been more productively spent with her therapist rather than her attorney. Perhaps someday a wife will find an attorney who will help her sue her husband for giving the wrong answer when she asks "Honey, does this dress make me look fat?"

I'm sorry Ms. Besler had anorexia, I really am. It isn't a light matter. More than a few people, men and women alike, have died from it. But

the propensity to an eating disorder was hers, not her coach's. No amount of rationalizing will negate that fact.

What would have happened if this had been a guy? What if a man was suing his old coach because, in order to stay with the team and please his coach, he'd taken "performance-enhancing drugs"? There's a possibility that we might hear about it in the news, but the chances of him garnering any sympathy are slim. The world is slanted towards the side of feminism. Don't believe me? Try to deny the outcry that would happen if the popular "Boys are stupid, throw rocks at them" line of clothing were also available for guys. "Girls are stupid, throw rocks at them" and "Girls are idiots, drop

anvils on their heads." Can we imagine the outrage? Can we hear the screams insisting that these shirts encourage abuse of women? And yet it's perfectly acceptable to bash men at every turn. Take this little piece for what you will. Some may find me chauvinistic, yet I feel that someone has to stand up for the men of America. (By the way, we need you women more than life itself).

I encourage feedback and response if you'd feel obliged to give it. You can email your questions and comments to: thesouthernfile@hotmail.com. Until next time.

Southern needs an attitude change

MATT HAMSTRA
GUEST COLUMNIST

I'm sure we all have our own opinions on the required Workshops/Convocations/Vespers/The Requirements (or the guys)/Church Checks. I'm also fairly sure the majority of opinions would be that the requirement shouldn't exist (or they should at least be reduced). This is my belief, though probably not for the same reasons most people feel.

Don't you think it's kind of ironic when students will pay \$7 or more to go to a movie, they'll get angry when people talk during the movie and when a cell phone rings, but when the movie gets out all they can talk about is the movie? While on the other hand, the only way Southern can fill a vespers service is by requiring it. But people still talk, cell phones still ring, and when vespers is done people are still talking about what movies they have seen. I think Southern needs an attitude change. Students need to run their lives differently, but I think that change needs to start first with the administration.

The underlying school of thought for Southern's religious experience (and dare I say Adventism in general) seems to emphasize format, or in other words, following the proper form is the most important thing. (Hence all the previously mentioned requirements.) It is proper form to attend religious events on a regular basis, thus

Southern requires these events. It's proper form to dress up for these events, and thus a dress code is enforced. I don't believe this strategy works at winning students for God. If it did, Southern should feel confident in removing the requirements, and if their strategy worked the church would still be as full and well dressed as it usually is. But I think we could agree that this would not be so. The overlying train of thought seems to be, "Shame on students for being

like that." I used to think that myself. But now my train of thought seems to be, "No, shame on the administration for being like that." I think the administration does a terrible job of meeting us at our own level.

When I was about 12 years old, my home church decided to get a youth pastor, and now I am so happy they did. The pastor that the church eventually hired was there for about three years. And those three years, his strategy was as follows: the provide a place where the people can hang out, feel comfortable and be involved in something interesting. He opened up his apartment to us and started scheduling regular meeting nights. For most of those nights and watched TV or movies and played games. We were a bit stand-offish at first, but eventually we got more comfortable around the new

pastor. By the time he moved away he had youths over at his apartment almost every day. He had us united enough, comfortable enough and interested enough that he could really hold serious Bible studies. People would show up and have interesting discussions because they wanted to, and we started fundraisers to go on mission trips. When he left to go to the seminary, he hand-picked his replacement who was able to build on that foundation, got us moving

wherever and saying, "Hey, who are you? I'd like to get to know you," or, "Hey, we're going to get together and do something fun. Would you like to join in?" and you get the picture. No spiritual leader here is taking time to build relationships with the student body, and if the school is interested to do so, they are grossly underappreciated. I think this school is missing an amazing opportunity to reach a huge number of youth. Students are here for four years. They could

build incredible relationships with us, and make a positive difference. Instead the administration is frustrating our experience, and in some cases, driving students away from the church. I tell you right now I'd be more willing to go listen to someone who I had met personally, who spent time with me personally, someone who knows me and cares about my problems and my needs, and someone who in turn I care about, than to go listen to a chaplain who I've seen exactly three times on campus in both years I've been here, who has spoken to me once and who didn't appear interested in me at the time.

I need believe in following a format as a means of getting saved. I believe in making Jesus my friend, and if the school means to help me and guide me with this, then they need to make me their friend too. They say, "If we don't

require worship/vespers, no one will come," or they say, "If we don't have a dress code, people will dress sloppy." I say, so what? That's a vivid reflection of what's on the inside of a person, and requiring them to do otherwise means that who they are as a person doesn't matter. Not caring about people is a poor tactic at making friends. Friendship should be valued over appearances. Friendship is real, whereas appearances are fake. Friendship is not forced. Friends become friends because they want to.

When Jesus was here on this earth He went out to the people, and met them on their level. Eventually people flocked out to see Him because they saw that He cared about them. I would like to see the administration treat us the same way. Hollywood does a great job at reaching us. If we have God's blessings, Southern should be able to reach students even better.

As a side note, I won't let this problem detract from my own relationship with God. Though I am not a perfect Christian, these rules do cause frustration for me, but I am not relying on Southern as a crutch to support a relationship with God for me. I am fortunate to have a relationship with Him already. However, I do feel truly sorry for others at this school who are not so fortunate, and for whom the problem grows worse.

"The overlying school of thought for Southern's religious experience seems to emphasize format... following the proper form is the most important thing."

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SPORTS

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March Madness continues

MARK GUNTHER
Sports Writer

After the first weekend of March Madness, the carnage happened. Forty-eight teams have been eliminated, upsets and thrashings have come and gone and now the real crunch time of the tournament begins. After Sunday night, four teams will be left to vie for the top prize in Men's college basketball. Here are my picks for the teams to reach the Final Four:

St. Louis - With both Kentucky and Gonzaga eliminated, this is easily the widest open regional. Nevada and Alabama-Birmingham both have impressive upsets under their belts, but both will fall to Georgia Tech and Kansas respectively. Then, I see Kansas taking it all the way to the regional championship and a Final Four ticket. But I would not be surprised to see GT give Kansas a run for their money.

East Rutherford - Saint Joseph's is still in the hunt! Coach Phil Martelli's squad will face a tough challenge in their game versus Wake Forest, but I believe that they have the firepower to make the Elite Eight. They then have to face Oklahoma Street, whom I believe will defeat Pittsburgh in their game. The smart money

would be on Oklahoma Street but I believe that St. Joe's still has a little magic left in their shoes. We'll see them dancing in the regional final.

Atlanta - let's not mince words here: Duke University will go to the Final Four. Again, I just do not see any team really stepping up to the plate and challenging this strong team. They will have a scare against the Fighting Illini of Illinois, but they will win handily. Then, Texas will bring their hot squad into

the regional final and lose, seriously. I just like Duke here because they've done this enough to know how to do it right. I'm just not sure the Texas Longhorns will be able to get farther than the Elite Eight.

Phoenix - A Syracuse/UCONN regional final? Let's not be too hasty about this. First, the Alabama/Syracuse game will be, in my opinion, the game of the regional phase. I just love this match-up because the Crimson Tide is just that: a tide of young

fresh talent. This is going to be a dogfight—but the Orangemen will win. That leaves the Vanderbilt/UCONN game to deal with. UCONN will win this game and the regional because of two players: Emeka Okafor and Ben Gordon. Simply put, when you have the two best players in the country playing for you, it's just that much more of an edge to have at your disposal. The Huskies will be dancing in their second ever Final Four.

NFL player roulette

JEFF LAMBERT
Sports Writer

The NFL off-season fury is a staple of springtime; it comes in roaring like a lion, and then fades out like a lamb to the upcoming draft in April. This year we saw the faces of many teams change in the first week of the player roulette.

The Eagles were the first team to make a major splash when they signed defensive end Jevon Kearse, adding another weapon to their already stacked defense. The Denver Broncos now have a stellar backfield with the signing of John Lynch, who is known in some circles as the hardest-hitting safety in the NFL. The Broncos also decided to swap offensive superstar for defensive superstar, as they sent halfback Clinton Portis to the Redskins in exchange for cornerback Champ Bailey.

Other teams who made some significant signings were the Seahawks, who signed defensive end Grant Wistrom. The Browns, who signed quarterback Jeff Garcia, and, once again, the Raiders, who now have an iron curtain in the trenches with the signings of Warren Sapp and Ted "Homeland Security" Washington.

The Buccaneers, who are falling apart on defense, decided to upgrade newcomers Brian Griese's receivers, as they traded the troublesome Keyshawn Johnson to Dallas in exchange for Joey Galloway.

The biggest soap opera deal of the year has turned out to be none other than Terrell Owens, who went from San Francisco to Baltimore, and finally to Philly. There was a lot of unnecessary complaining and embarrassment for the NFL to deal with in this manner, which makes me wonder why players can't just keep their mouths shut and just be happy to play the game?

Michigan vs. Avalanche



Ben Richardson, left, and Mark Gunther move the puck down the court for team Michigan during Michigan vs. Avalanche last Wednesday night. *Photo by Rachel May*

SERVICE 101

COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY 2004

Schedule of Events - April 8, 2004

- 9:00 breakfast begins (in cafeteria)
- 9:30 worship
- 10:00 leave for sites
- 11:00 - 3:00 volunteer
- 3:30 - 5:00 dinner with Moe's Southwest Grill (in front of Wright Hall)

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Week of: April 1 - 8

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

General Announcements

The artwork of Alison Sigora will be on exhibit in the Brock Gallery of Southern Adventist University. The show opening is Saturday, March 27th, at 7:30 p.m. The paintings will be on display through April 2nd. For more information call 423-238-2732.

TELESCOPE VIEWING: Friday night, April 2, 2004, from 7:30 to 8:30 pm, the Physics department will have two telescopes set up in the south end of the parking lot at Hickman Science Center. Come out and see the stars - and the moon and planets. Weather permitting!!!!!!

Saturday, April 10: Come see and all for a night of fun table games! Enjoy time with your friends and get some

refreshments. The fun will be in the dining hall at 9:00 p.m.

Drop Your Drawers... That's right! We want you to drop some NEW drawers for the homeless in Chattanooga! Each year, thousands of homeless people in Chattanooga receive food, clothing and shelter from the Homeless Care Center of Chattanooga, but rarely receive a brand new pair of underwear because the Center does not have the resources to buy underwear and few people think to donate them. So, next time you go shopping for yourself, remember to pick up a pack of men's, women's, or children's underwear in any size. Then "Drop Your Drawers" in one of the eight collection boxes located on campus, now through April 3rd. Locations: Dining hall, Brock, Residence halls,

Hickman, Wright Hall, Student Center. For information call Michelle at 238-2762.

Destiny Drama Company presents... Paul McCusker's "SNAPSHOTS & PORTRAITS" A two hour play that takes a light hearted look at family relationships and reconciliation.

DATES: 3 NIGHTS ONLY:

Thursday, April 8, 2004
Friday, April 9, 2004
Saturday, April 10, 2004

TIMES:

7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Nightly

LOCATION:

Collegedale Academy Auditorium

TICKET INFO:

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\$5.00 general audience

\$2.00 for student with valid SAU ID. SAU students must present ID at time of purchase

-Tickets are now on sale at the courtesy desk at the Village Market.

-Tickets will be sold at the door for Thursday and Friday's performance.

-Tickets for SATURDAY NIGHT'S show WILL NOT BE sold at the door! THEY MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE!!!!

For further information go to <http://destiny.southern.edu> or the calendar link at chaplain.southern.edu or contact Southern Adventist University's Campus Ministries office at 238-2878.

Student Association

Community Service Day is Thursday, April 8. Help somebody else out! Enjoy free t-shirts, breakfast and dinner with Moe's Southwest Grill. Sign up until Friday, April 2, at <http://destiny.southern.edu>.

SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

11:00 am Convocation - Asian Heritage (Church)

PreView Southern (1-2)

Birthdays: Jermaine Andrade, Keith Bouman, Stephen Garner, Nostor Nissen, April Sjoberg, Jana Bruckner, Karen Margan, Sandra Twombly

FRIDAY, APRIL 2

7:03 pm Sunset

8:00 pm Vespers - Gym-Masters (Church)

Payday

Missions Retreat (2-3)

Birthdays: Kathie Diamond-Miller, April Smith, Jean Lomino

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

9:00 am Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright

10:00 am The Third - Red Clay State Park "Student Center"

9:45 am "Another Sabbath School"

10:00 am (Teacher South Activity Room) Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright

11:30 am Shut-In Ministries (Meet in front of Wright Hall)

2:45 pm Evensong (Church)

6:30 pm Gym-Masters Home Show

8:00 pm **Birthdays:** Alicia Anderson, Petey Giroux, Elizabeth Madrigal, Yolmaris Rodriguez, Merlin Wittenberg

SUNDAY, APRIL 4

6:00 pm Senior Recognition Banquet (Dining Hall)

Daylight Savings Time Begins, Set clocks forward one hour

Birthdays: Dustan Cook, Andrea DeLaney,

Karen Fleming, Crystal Harsany, Jamie Strunk, Derek Wright, Larela Howard, Beverly Self

MONDAY, APRIL 5

3:30 pm Academic Affairs

Senior progress grades for May graduates due and deadline to finish incompletes & home study correspondence

GRE Subject Exam, Student Center

Birthdays: Kirsten Daugherty, David Kazarichuk, Lauren Songrey, Ryan Siebel, Matt Talbert, Andy Wade, Gary Wilson, Sarah Wright, Ed Lamb, Barbara Olsen, Faye Strung

TUESDAY, APRIL 6

6:00 pm Tornado Siren Test

7:00 pm Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)

Birthdays: Lynnette Brooks, Jerad Faudi, Anton Jenkins, Melissa Lourel, Jonathan Morris, Joey Rouse

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7

11:30 am Social Work Field Practicum Fair (Presidential Banquet Room)

6 - 10:00 pm Residence Hall Housing Fair (Dining Hall)

7:00 pm SA Senate (White Oak Room)

Birthdays: Duane Duke, Cristi Martin, Luke Self

THURSDAY, APRIL 8

9:00 am Community Service Day (Dining Hall)

6 - 11:00 pm McKee Library Open

No Classes

Birthdays: Jennifer Lee, Elizabeth Martin, Heidi McDonald, Chrissy Roy, Jeann Roberts, Bryce Wagner, Randy Cwren

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I saw the sign

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Guest Contributor

I suppose most of you have noticed the sign on the south side of campus declaring our school to be "OUTHERN VENTIST UNIVERSITY." Now it has been this way for several weeks. I saw it a long time ago, but I didn't say anything because I didn't want to speak ill or out of turn about the university I love. But enough is enough. How long is this sign going to stay that way?

I am starting to think that maybe this illustrious institution has undergone another name change and the sign at the middle and north of campus are wrong. What would cause such a name change, you ask? I see it happening like this: the scene is Gordon Beitz's living room and he is playing with his little nephew Timmy. The conversation goes like this.

"I am president of Southern Adventist University," says Beitz. But Timmy has a little bit of a lisp.

"OUTHERN VENTIST UNIVERSITY," Timmy spits out. President Beitz just doesn't have the heart to correct him.

"Yep, that's right Timmy."

The fact is, not long ago the sign read "OUTHERN VENTIST UNIVERSITY." So how did the O come back and the A and the H disappear? I again picture Dr. Beitz behind this turn of events. He contacts the vandals through Nilo's message-board and offers a trade: A and D for O. If negotiations don't fall through, soon the sign will read "Southern tist University."

The final question in my mind is what were the thieves of those letters thinking?

"You know, Bill, what this room needs is a giant S and to a lesser extent an A and D"

"You are absolutely right Ken, lets get right on that."

Oh, well—welcome to "OUTHERN VENTIST UNIVERSITY." Hey, maybe with next year's tuition hike, we will be able to afford a new sign.

Someone "won" a date with the friendly neighborhood humor editor

RYAN STITZER
FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD HUMOR EDITOR

To all the lovely ladies who entered my contest, (yes all five of you) thank you for saving my self-esteem from being totally demolished. I wish all of you could win, but "The Southern Accent" said I could only have thirty dollars. I agonized over who the winner should be, but to be perfectly honest I don't know who it is even as I write this. So I'll come back to that part.

Now to all the ladies who didn't enter, "Why? WHY?!" All you had to do was send a stinkin' e-mail and you might have received a date with me or...or you could have taken the thirty dollars cash! Am I so repulsive that you don't even want to be in my presence long enough to take a check from my hands? Thanks ladies, thanks. Ok, enough of that and on to the contest. First, I would like to say the honorable mention goes to my dear friend Zofia. She entered my contest just one hour after the paper came out. She, however, is sadly disqualified for her boyfriend is sadly larger than me. But the rules are the rules-boyfriends must be smaller than me. So on we march to third place. Third place goes to my friend Jessica. Jessica was of the misconception that lots of girls were entering this contest and not wanting to be the only girl on her hall without a chance to win she sent me this entry:

Hello Mr. Stitzer,
Word on the street has it that every eligible lady at Southern is bombarding your email account with noble attempts to win a date with "the Accent's" illustrious humor editor. Even though there are hundreds of contestants, I was persuaded to still enter the contest. Because there is nothing more appealing than a guy who is enchanted with Thatcher Hall posts, flaming shoes and chicken grease!

Yours Truly,

"Jessica"

P.S. Did I forget to mention the \$30?

Very nice sentiment but low on reasons why I should choose her. I guess she was relying on her stunning joker photo to pull her through. Though it is a very nice photo, I had to move on. Now it gets difficult. It came down to these two entries. In no particular order here they are:

Top ten reasons you should choose me

1. You told me I had to enter
2. I would not want the money
3. I have not had a date for over 2 years
4. I can burp almost as good or better than some guys and we could have a burping contest
5. I enjoy your sense of humor
6. I enjoy crazy driving
7. I am short and cute
8. YOU want to choose me

Pranks to avoid on April Fool's Day

NATANIEL REYES/ROBERT JACOBSON
Gurus Cornerstones

The season for April Fooling is almost upon us. Nataniel Reyes and I want to make sure you all have a fun April, and most importantly, a safe April Fool's day. To that end, we present you with a list of April Fool's gags you should definitely avoid. Trust us, they don't work.

"—Mom... you're pregnant."
—The old peanut-butter-on-your-roommate's-cell-phone trick.

"—Yeah, actually, those pants totally make you look fat."
April Fools!

"—Djoo hear Biddy Wohlers knifed Bizzietz in the eye down in Chatt-town? Fo Shizzle."

"—Nataniel is the new copy editor, you know."
—Dr. Richard, did you hear about that guy who proved that A squared plus B squared equals C cubed?

"—The old Cal-Campus-Safety-with-a-gun-threat-in-English-Camp gag."

INSIGHTFUL INSIGHTS

By Jon Palmer

Kites fly better on windy days. It is true, don't ask me how I know; it is a painful story.

Top Ten reasons you should have entered the "Win a date with your friendly neighborhood humor editor" contest

RYAN STITZER
YOUR FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD HUMOR EDITOR

1. Easy thirty bucks
2. Would have boosted my ego (I think that's far less important to most of you than it should be.)
3. Easy way to get your name in print
4. Fame across campus as a brave person
5. Could have weired your friends out by being my only male entry
6. It is always good to participate in campus events
7. I am "friendly"
8. I am "humorous"
9. I plan creative dates
10. The number one reason you're all a bunch of puts for no joining in on my contest is...

1. I don't bite...hard

DUMB DUCKS

<p>WHAT ARE YOU DOING STAYING AT THAT FOCK CLAYTON?</p> 	<p>I'M STUDYING FOR OUR AMERICAN HISTORY TEST.</p> 	<p>WE HAVE A TEST TOMORROW OVER THE SILVERWARE</p> 	<p>WHAT?</p> 	<p>YEAH REMEMBER? IS OVER THE CIVIL WAR NOT THE SILVERWARE!</p> 	<p>OH... I KNEW I WAS GOING TO FAIL!</p> 
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by Justin Janetzko

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Job hunt

BERLEA SMITH
WRITER

For seniors, life after graduation involves doing that first job. They send resumes to possible employers, go to hard-nosed interviews, and wait for a reply. Days, weeks and months pass by. How does all this affect seniors?

This scenario is not uncommon among today's graduates. Many who don't find jobs are left with a degree and nothing more. Many college graduates are finding themselves in low-level jobs outside their field. It has come to the point at which graduates realize that their first job might not be their specialized field.

Philip Neuhauser is a theology major at Southern. He has been sending out resumes and going on interviews, but they just don't seem to be available. This is because many SDA conferences don't have the money to take on any new pastors. Some, like the Florida Conference, are even laying off existing pastors.

Neuhauser says that if a job doesn't come along he will go back home to Montana to design and plant a church. Because he is not married, not having a job is not stressing me out because I have other options," says Neuhauser.

Post-gazette.com says that graduates in business administration, accounting, economics, finance, management information systems and computer science will succeed in finding jobs better than other fields.

Brian Henning, mass communication major, sent out his resumes to employers he was interested in and then went for the interviews. A friend told him about a job opening and recommended him to the company. He is currently in a student position that will turn into a full time position when he graduates.

Another growing profession promising readily available jobs for graduated

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Photo by Jacqui Seely

Darrell Sanford walks part of his eight miles Tuesday afternoon through Taylor Circle near Wright Hall during his daily routine.

8 miles a day, still 'not weary'

MARANATHA HAY
STAFF WRITER

If you live on campus, chances are you've seen him around. Every morning, Darrell Sanford begins his two-mile walk. His circled route starts at Talge, winds around the church, goes up University drive, cuts through a trail and his finish line is at the Student Park. It takes him 45 minutes and he does this four times each day if time allows.

Darrell walks for several reasons. It's his only way of getting around, and walking is definitely good exercise, but there is a more serious motive. Darrell has cerebral palsy, an affliction that has left him with a limp. Although the condition doesn't

get progressively worse, it can regress if he doesn't keep active. His tendons would eventually tighten and he would lose the use of his legs. This problem was caused because a lack of oxygen damaged his cerebrum when he was born two months premature. The cerebrum controls the development and function of motor systems, and the injury caused Sanford's tendons to grow shorter than normal.

Growing up was difficult, but Darrell had parents that pushed him to succeed. "Our family walks I would trip and fall and my parents wouldn't help me. It tore them up when they saw how hard it was for me. But it was the right thing. It took away my attitude of 'I'm a cripple boy' into

"I can do anything I set my mind to," Darrell said.

And his attitude is what makes him an inspiration. "God has given me a double portion of persistence. I don't like to quit and more than anything He has helped me to beat this. I have no doubt that God has a plan for my life," Darrell said.

Whenever he can, Darrell uses his handicap as an identifying tool to help other cerebral palsy kids. He looks forward to heaven and the day he can do the things he can't right now. But, until then, he is content being himself and keeps Isaiah 40:31 in the forefront of his mind.

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The new coffee house on Gunbarrel Road affords students another hang-out.
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"And the day came when the risk to remain tight in a bud was more painful than the risk it took to blossom."

-Anais Nin

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seniors is the nursing field. Cincinnati Ohio's "The Enquirer" says that nurses are very high in demand. According to "The Enquirer," Cincinnati area hospitals are paying sign-on bonuses between \$5-10,000 for nurses who will come to work.

"Because there is such a high demand for nurses, it's not difficult for nurses to find and get jobs," said Lisa Bell senior nursing major.

Bell is from Canada. Because she wants to work in the U.S. she has to acquire a visa which will take six to

eight months. She says even though it will be a long wait, Erlaeger still offered her a job. Until then, she will be working on campus while she continues with her studies to be a nurse practitioner.

Because jobs are scarce in some fields, seniors must depend on friends and family to help them out. Joshua Voight is a theology major. Like many, he sent out his resume and went to interviews. He was offered a job through his conference in Maryland even though he will still be going to school for the next three years.

Darrell

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"But those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint."

And so, Darrell continues walking, day after day, every day at a steady, measured pace. And if it rains? "I take an umbrella," said Sanford. "It takes more than a lousy shower to keep me from my daily walk!"

Sanford is a senior mass communications major. Once he graduates, he would like to write stories or get a job at a TV station.

Ants among us

SARA BANDEL
STAFF WRITER

Ants have taken up residence in Thatcher Hall, causing quite a disturbance.

"I enjoy trapping them (ants) under my clear CD cases and watching them die," freshman nursing major Ronelle Grace Quiba said.

"Thief ants" as they are called, are tiny, black-bodied creatures that roam the rooms looking for food and water. Among the ants' favorite hangouts are clothes, food and computers.

Ant traps and sprays have been tried, but nothing seems

to make a difference; they invade everything, according to Megan Brauer, a freshmen journalism major.

"You know something is wrong when you turn on the iron and you smell burning ant bodies," Quiba said.

However, there are a few options that can help control these ants that call Thatcher home.

First, "have dishes clean and empty the trash," Engel said.

Not surprisingly, keeping the rooms clean may not be enough to keep the ants at bay. However, there is a second option.

Residents who have ant problems can fill out pest control slips found at Thatcher front desk. These slips are turned in to housekeeping, who will have the rooms professionally sprayed to kill the ants.

Sometimes pest control employees come into a room to spray, but the room is such a mess that they can't find any ants. They are forced to leave the room without ever spraying anything. Therefore, when pest control comes, the residents must have the rooms clean, Engel said.

It is also very helpful if housekeeping knows where the ants are coming into the room, she said.

Engel has very little idea of how or why the ants have taken up residence in Thatcher.

"Since the renovation of Thatcher South, we have had ants," Engel said.

UN Geneva: Adventists address top-level meetings on human rights

KELLEY RAZZOOUK
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Representatives of the Seventh-day Adventist Church are speaking this week to the full sessions of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights, the highest world body dealing with such matters.

"It's a great privilege, as well as a tremendous responsibility, to share our Adventist perspective with the ambassadors and delegates of 191 countries in the large meeting hall," says Dr. Jonathan Gallagher, main UN representative for the Adventist church. "To be able to address this audience of maybe 700 top-level people on behalf of

the world church is an amazing opportunity that we enthusiastically endorse."

Adventist speeches to the Commission have included statements on religious liberty, freedom of conscience, the rights of the child and religious minorities. "We are particularly concerned about the decline in religious freedom around the world," Gallagher comments. "On this issue we were particularly pleased that the news report by the United Nations Information Service picked up on this issue. In fact they cited our statement as the lead for their report, saying 'The General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists said the development of reli-

gious extremism and intolerance in many parts of the world was alarming."

Just the very fact that Adventists are present and active in this Commission is a statement of the church's commitment to human rights, Gallagher observes. Also present representing the church are Dr. Gianfranco Rossi, longtime activist to the area of human rights, and Juan Perla, volunteer intern, together with seven international students from the church's college in France.

Even more important than the speeches is the direct interaction with ambassadors, Gallagher adds. "In talking directly with ambassadors

and country representatives, especially of nations where there are major concerns, we can make a real difference," he says. "Most of these discussions cannot be reported as they are obviously of a very sensitive nature, but this kind of diplomacy is very helpful for the church and for others, especially those who are persecuted for their faith."

The Commission runs from March 15 to April 23. More details of the church's involvement at the Commission and the statements made to the plenary sessions can be found at <http://ua.adventist.org>. [UN Liaison staff]

New Christian radio station on air

ANDY WLASNIIEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

In the past, Ooltewah residents who turned to 99.7 on their FM dial would hear only static. But ever since Valentine's Day, they have been hearing WYTY, the low-power FM (LPFM) station run by the Ooltewah Baptist church.

The station plays traditional Christian music, similar to what WSMC played in the 1970s. Currently the station only plays music, with a library of about 750 songs that play on a random loop. The Sunday church service is also broadcast live for those who can't make it to the church.

There are plans to expand the format to include some Christian talk shows and sermons, but the station doesn't have the funds for the software required. As soon as the funds are available, the sta-

tion will be playing more than just music.

Tim Kochis, a local broadcast engineer who has also helped with updates to WSMC's technology, set up WYTY. Kochis runs a non-profit company called The Freedom Fund, which prompted him to start the radio station.

"As soon as I heard about the availability of LPFMs, I was interested in getting one started locally. I acquired the license on my own, and then approached the church with the idea for a station," Kochis said.

WYTY's tower is located on the roof of the Ooltewah Baptist Church's gymnasium and currently covers a ten-mile radius. This footprint covers around 38,000 people, according to the 2000 census, Kochis said. WYTY is broadcasting on a 25-foot tower, but there are plans to upgrade

to a 90-foot tower so songs and funds are available.

"The station is financially supported by The Freedom Fund alone," said Kochis. "I didn't want to ask the church for money, because this radio station is my mission."

The station doesn't advertise commercially, but relies on word-of-mouth to get listeners. So far, the church has received a lot of feedback from listeners who enjoy the station.

Some people have found the station by chance—surfer on their radios. Ray Moore, owner of Ray's Barber Shop, stumbled upon the station a few weeks ago and now plays WYTY in his shop all day long.

"The format of the station is perfect," Moore said. "I'm having music playing where everyone, and since there's no talking, you don't have to worry about the clips being too loud."

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

Starbucks opens on Gunbarrel Road

JULIE HANDSIDES
STAFF WRITER

On the eve of its grand opening, the Starbucks Coffee Company on Gunbarrel Road treated customers to free beverages and pastries.

"The service was fast and efficient and I loved all the free samples," said Danielle Muhlenbeck, junior non-profit management and development major.

Communications professor Denise Childs walked in and ordered her favorite, a tall decaffeinated mocha Valencia.

"I'm so glad that you are open. Now I'm going to have to come here before I go to work," Childs said.

Another familiar face at Starbucks is Becky Cary, a freshman health, physical education and recreation major. She works as a barista behind the counter.

This is Starbucks's first corporate store in Chattanooga; the management is not related to the Starbucks in the Barnes and Noble book store.

Starbucks' stated mission is to create an atmosphere that develops satisfied customers. Laptop users will find strategically placed power outlets along the wall.

"Hopefully, we will be getting



Photo by Jacqui Serley

Southern nursing seniors Laura Alba, left, Michelle Bobbitt and Lorelei Hay study Wednesday afternoon outside the new Starbucks on Gunbarrel Road

wireless Internet soon," said Andy Tallant, store manager.

The corporation's mission also encourages each store to contribute to the local community and environment. Starbucks gives away free coffee grounds on request. The used grounds can be used to enrich the soil in gardens.

Tallant also plans to work with non-profits to start a liter-

ary program that encourages employees to read aloud to local elementary students.

For customers not interested in coffee, Starbucks has a variety of non coffee and non-cafinated beverages. The China Green Teas and Refresh tea are two non-cafinated alternatives. The menu also offers Crème Frappuccinos in a variety of flavors like toffee nut crème and

chocolate malt crème.

"Everyone was very friendly and seemed very happy to be there," said Muhlenbeck.

The Gunbarrel Starbucks is located across from Wal-Mart in the parking lot of Memorial Atrium. Hours of operation are Monday-Thursday 6 a.m.-11 p.m., Friday-Saturday 6 a.m. to midnight and Sunday from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Ginny Owens' 'Beautiful' reviewed

ANTOIA NANDY
STAFF WRITER

When I was asked to review a CD for the Accent I jumped at the chance to analyze "Beautiful," Ginny Owens' upcoming album. Given my experience with her earlier work, I was anxious to hear what the accomplished artist had to offer.

Instrumentally, the album has something for everybody. Owens ingeniously combines playing base guitars accompanied by pianos and thumping drums with the raging sounds of rock guitars and tranquil ripples of sound from banjos to create the ambience of a lazy Sabbath afternoon for her fourth album. To surprise them! I fully expect the complex array of sounds.

On the other hand, the lyrics of "Beautiful" are anything but complex. The album's first song, "You'll That Be Fine," anticipates the joys of Heaven, "when everything wrong will be right/and we will walk in the light." "All Me Beautiful," the title track, delights in the calm confidence of knowing that one is beautiful in God's love. In "Always," Owens contemplates the joys and evils of this world and praises God for His faithfulness. She says, "In my finest hour, or my darkest moments/I know you're always good/always."

All in all, I'd give the album a thumbs up. Though I feel that "Beautiful" lacks some of the overall energy of her previous releases, "Something More" and "Without Condition," (those are my own) I definitely recommend it for anyone who enjoys soothing music with an equally relaxing message.

The album hit stores Tuesday, April 6, 2004.

Linguistics students sing with Prasada-Rao

KELLY MCAULIFFE
STAFF WRITER

Tom Prasada-Rao and his duet partner Cary Cooper performed Monday, April 5, in Southern's Ackerman Auditorium. The concert was, to put it mildly, wonderful. Prasada-Rao is an accom-

plished guitarist and his lyrics were quite poignant, but for my fellow linguistics classmates and I, the evening show was only half the fun.

Prasada-Rao, an old college friend of our Introduction to Linguistics teacher Debbie Higgins, visited our 12:00 class to

teach us a thing or two about song-writing. After filling us in on his linguistics classmates and I, the touring artist and answering a few questions, he suggested that we try our hands at writing a tune.

"Corn" and "unrequited love" were suggested as possible subjects, and with "fishing" thrown in for good measure, we were well on our way to a classic hit. Over the next twenty minutes, we wrote two verses and the profound chorus: "Pop. Pop. Pop." Everyone contributed to this effort to the music industry (though Scott Damazo's memorable line "staring at my bob" was the all-around favorite). Sadly, class ended before we could come up with a bridge or even think about a melody line.

But Prasada-Rao and Cooper came through. When we arrived at the concert that night, they had finished the song, fine-tuned the lyrics and entitled it "Popcorn Fishing." And so, we had the privi-

lege of performing it with them toward the end of their two-song set. It was an evening I won't be forgetting anytime soon.

"Popcorn Fishing"

You don't take my bait
I know it's off the cob
You always make me wait
Staring at my bob
Nothing's on my line
But I know what I got
All I need is time
Pop Pop Pop
My heart's a microwave
Where the butter meets the salt
It's only love I crave
If I burn it all your fault
Nothing's on my line
But I know what I got
All I need is time
Pop Pop Pop
Always fishing, always casting
Always wishing, never asking
Baby, please don't leave me on the
bottom of the bowl

Pond-ering



Photo by Jacqui Serley

Micah Koga studies his drawing by the pond on the promenade for Drawing II Monday afternoon.

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RELIGION

Reed's rumblings

SEAN REED
RELIGION EDITOR

A small farm in a quaint little English village was home to Farmer Brown and his family. Each morning the family would rise early to milk the cows, feed the pigs and fetch eggs from the setting hens. The eggs would then be carefully packed into Farmer Brown's diminutive car, egg-crate foam between each layer of eggs. Although the careful packing took nearly an hour, hundreds of eggs could be safely stowed for the short drive to the city where Farmer Brown would sell the eggs to grocers. After years of safely driving his car full of eggs without a mishap, Farmer Brown decided one sunny morning to pack the eggs into the car without the protective egg-crate between each layer of eggs. He was quite pleased with himself for saving so much time; simply packing the eggs into the car without the egg-crate took only half as long.

Farmer Brown drove his car down the small country lane, smiling and whistling as he did so. Rounding a corner, he was alarmed to see a cow standing in the middle of the road. Carefully he eased his car into the opposing lane so as to safely pass the cow. Unfortunately, Milkman Bob driving the milk truck was in the lane. Consequently, Farmer Brown pulled his steering wheel a bit more to the right, hoping to avoid both the cow and the milk truck. He

missed both the cow and the milk truck. He did not miss, however, the large beech tree growing just off the lane. The milk truck safely drove past, and the cow moved nary an inch, looking on with large, glassy eyes. Farmer Brown was looking too. He was looking at the hundreds of crushed, dripping eggs inside of his somewhat crushed little car.

The challenges and difficulties we encounter in life are frequently much graver than merely getting a few hundred eggs safely to market. Our lives are quite like, however, the eggs themselves—fragile and easily broken. We need something in our lives to protect and cushion us. We need God.

God is, in some ways, like the egg-crate foam that Farmer Brown chose not to use. Let us not be mistaken in thinking that God's only purpose is to serve as a cushion to protect fragile people. We would do better to think in terms of our purpose to God, not God's purpose to us. Yet regardless of the best way to view God, He does fill this unique need in our lives. He wants, needs and demands a larger role in our lives, yet He will begin a relationship with us by being the One we turn to for comfort and protection when our lives threaten to crumble. We can turn to Him knowing that He not only is able to keep us from crumbling, He is also able to sort out the pieces and put our lives back together again should they crumble.

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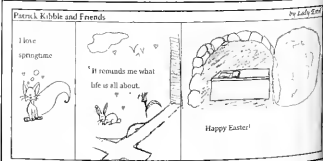
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The Alternative

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Last week we began looking at the candidates to vote for in the upcoming Presidential election. We considered the record of the Republican candidate, President George W. Bush. We noted that he has had mixed success in leading our country, and in standing for the conservative values that many of us believe in. Now we need to consider the other option, John Kerry.

He is a left-wing liberal who supports abortion and gay marriage. He, along with the entire Democratic party, decries the federal deficit; but the recent history of his party shows that the Democratic solution to deficits is to raise taxes, spend less on defense, and more on welfare and other wasteful government programs. He unfairly promises to roll back the tax cuts for wealthy Americans, as if those who pay by far the most into our income tax system don't deserve to receive the most back when refunds go out. But perhaps he could handle our economy and foreign policy better. We have reason to believe that he would get along with the United Nations and European leaders better than George Bush does. But his plans for rebuilding Iraq sound idealistic and naive. His promises, like those of any candidate, sound good, but his campaign platform stands against several policies that he himself promoted for during his tenure in the Senate, hardly making a positive statement about his honesty level. He and his party believe in bigger governmental interference in everyday life - perhaps not in the manner of the Patriot Act, but in other harmful ways that the founding Fathers never intended.

What does that leave us with? I don't know about you, but it leaves me with no candidate who really supports my belief in limited government, conservative principles, and personal freedoms. The Republican Party no longer seems to care to stand for such principles, and the Democrats aren't doing any better. Perhaps your views differ widely from mine. I encourage you to go out and cast your vote for the man who you best supports what you believe in. I'm still not sure what I'm going to do with mine.

Tree huggers

TIMOTHY MORSE
GUEST COLUMNIST

I'm going to ask a really foolish question. How many of us would like to see lower gas prices? Yeah, I know, it sounds like the most ridiculous question in the world, but apparently, some people like higher gas prices. When most of us think of the big oil areas of the world our minds turn to the Middle East and areas around there. Would it surprise you to know that we have one of the largest oil resources in the world right here in the United States? If that information didn't surprise you, then does the fact that we use almost none of it?

Alaska is an oil-rich part of our land. Some studies have shown that with the oil gathered from Alaska, the U.S. could supply all of our own oil needs - without relying on fickle interna-

tional dealers. These actions would tremendously drive down the cost of gas in our country - something which I think most of us would be grateful for.

So why haven't we done anything to reduce our reliance on other nations for oil? Why have we not dug into the proverbial "gold mine" in our backyard? Simple answer: Hippies and Democrats. Yeah, that might come across as extremely biased, but it's the truth. Environmentalists complain that the state of Alaska will be "marred" by the drilling that would occur. They complain that the entire landscape will be dotted with oil rigs, and that the people that live in Alaska will be tainted by the vast "industrialization" of the state.

Consider with me a few things. For starters, consider the size of our northern-most state. Alaska is one-fifth the size of the

entire continental United States. That's a lot of space. And the population of Alaska? The 2002 census estimate stated that 643,786 people inhabited the state. I could do the math and compute how many people per square mile that is, but I don't really need to. Use this for comparison: in 2000 the population of the city of Nashville was 545,524. Need I follow this up anymore? The sheer quantity of natural resources in Alaska and the space in which to collect them is far too vast for us to even begin to realize. And still we do nothing.

So when will we actually begin to fend for ourselves as a nation on this issue? As soon as the tree-huggers and partisan congressional members opposing this idea are forced to buy cars that don't get 70 miles per gallon. Sounds like a plan to me. SUV's for everyone, eh?

No More Excuses

MERVYN NG
GUEST OPINION COLUMNIST

I told myself that I would stay in school forever. Now, almost six years later, I find no more excuses to hold me back. No more classes to audit; nothing left to take. I used to think that I knew something about something. Now that I am about to graduate from college, I realize that in reality, I don't know jack. The more you learn, the more you realize how much you don't know. That's the beauty of education. It is a never ending cycle of realizing how ignorant you

really are.

For you graduating seniors, I want to congratulate you for sticking it through. Getting a degree is an accomplishment. Quite an expensive one at that. Getting out into the work force is probably the single most thing that scares me more than flooding a bathroom in my girlfriend's house. Nevertheless, it is a stage in life that we all must go through. It is inevitable. Although I took the "Meet the Firms" class this semester, I feel like I must meet them again so that I could stay another semester (if I haven't taken this class, I high-

ly recommend it. It will give you some direction as you take your first step into the working world). Sadly, all good things must come to an end.

I am graduating with a computing degree. However, I assure you that I will not be "doing" computer for the rest of my life. Things change, people change. The key to success is to put God first. Nevertheless, nothing comes without hard work, sweat and tears. If you have a passion and are committed to what you do, you will naturally succeed. Just remember that God will make a way.

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Thumbs-up Thumbs-down

By Justin Kobylka



Thumbs up to the Gymnasters respers & home show. You guys

made an awesome impact on this campus last weekend and we applaud your hard work and effort. Thanks for being an effective witness outside this campus as well.

Thumbs down to those who don't realize that janitors have schedules and classes just like everyone else. They cannot always work when there are no classes and in some buildings there are also evening classes, so vacu-

um during class time is inevitable. Please be more considerate of the janitors who clean up after your messes so that you can have a clean environment to learn in. contributed
-by Jason Vanderleam



Thumbs up to all who have volunteered to participate in the

SonRise pagan this coming weekend. Your dedication to this depiction of Christ's last hours is commendable. With the help of the Holy Spirit, this will be the most powerful SonRise yet. Pray for sun!

Thumbs down to people who drive to fast around campus, especially around Taylor circle. There are areas with bad visibility and a little caution would help ensure the safety of all.



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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT SPORTS

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Roc-em Soc-em Soccer



Photo by Rachel Day

Ashley Shafer, left, of team Houligans races down the field Monday afternoon with teammate Brooke Bailey while Woodstock's Captain Allison Wiggins defends. Final score Houligans 5; Woodstock 1.

Drama on the ice

ETHAN NKANA
SPORTS EDITOR

Mens' intramural hockey action is heating up as the play-offs encroach within the next two weeks. Tuesday night the Southern division Bruins looked to even the score with Ice is Nice (Ice) who won their first of a pair of meetings on March 30.

The game began at a slow pace, although Bruins goalie Jeff Dickerson and Ice's goalie Alex King saw a lot of action early. Dickerson made an amazing face-high glove save off a hard shot from Ice's Ryan Lucht.

Dale Southard of the Bruins gave King trouble in the net as Southard attempted three shots on King, which King blocked with his stick. With under 10 minutes remaining in the first half, Brett Mahoney assisted in a goal of Southard, who found a hole in King's defense.

The Bruins ended the first

half with a 1-0 advantage over Ice.

Just over five minutes into the second half, Justin Moore of the Bruins received two minutes in the penalty box for a body check. Ice was unable to score on the power play.

Ice had a very aggressive offensive trio featuring Ryan Lucht, Tucky Tucker and Josh Woods. Despite their offensive prowess they were no match for Moore, who led the Bruins' defense, leaving Ice scoreless for 39 minutes and seven seconds.

Frustration began to set in for Ice as Lucht was knocked hard to the floor by Cary Hann and no call was made.

Ice pulled King with less than two minutes to play, and with just three seconds remaining, Tucker found Lucht for the clutch goal, tying the game at one point apiece.

Both teams were scoreless in overtime and the game resulted in a tie at 1-1.

The Huskies prowl gain

MARK GUNTHER
STAFF WRITER

Oh, how sweet is the taste of redemption in college basketball. It's not often that teams can come back and beat a team that beat them earlier in the season. When it's for the national title as well, it's all the sweeter. Normally, this would be called a fantasy, but not now. The University of Connecticut (UCONN) Huskies turned fantasy into reality, winning their second NCAA championship in six years.

They beat one of the most surprising teams in college basketball this year, the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets, a team which had exposed their flaws brilliantly in a pre-season NIT loss earlier in the season. The loss knocked UCONN out of the top spot in the rankings, setting the stage for Monday night's tumultuous final. UCONN Coach Jim Calhoun, who just missed being voted into the college basketball hall of fame this week, had his team primed

and ready for the final piece of the crown which they had been tipped to win in the pre-season.

To be honest, it wasn't a contest on Monday night. The Huskies were just too multi-dimensional, balanced and well-coached to lose the game. Emeka Okafor had a monster game, scoring 24 points and grabbing 15 rebounds to record his 24th double-double on the season. Ben Gordon added 21 points of his own, helping a massively balanced Huskies attack wear down the smaller, yet talented Yellow Jackets. GT fans should be proud and hopeful for next year, however, as their team showed promise that they will be back in the title hunt next year in a very competitive Atlantic Coast Conference. But for this season, redemption is sweet for the UCONN Huskies as they go wire-to-wire as national champions.

United stands tall

ETHAN NKANA
SPORTS EDITOR

Tuesday night's mens' soccer intramurals featured Southern United and team Traigalo for the second time in five days. Southern United won the contest with a score of 6-0, although a bystander caught unawares would think that Traigalo was victorious.

At the commencement of the game it was clear to see that Southern United (United) meant business. The team showed its expertise with deft ball-handling ability and pinpoint passing.

Traigalo had quite a variety of players very festively-clad. Traigalo goalie, Zach "Attack" Widing, donning a ski vest, masking tape headband and a dress tie had a very busy night in the net as United had a number of players who attacked the goal relentlessly.

Juan Perla of United had an excellent game beginning with his first goal just minutes into the contest. Less than five minutes later, Saul Aspuro of United assisted Edouard

Julien in the team's second goal of the game, giving United a 2-0 advantage.

Aaron Roche of Traigalo received a red card and was ejected for an intentional hands violation late in the first half. Perla of United scored his second goal of the game with less than five minutes remaining in the half.

After Traigalo fell to a 0-3 deficit, Ben Norskov and Robin George utilized their patented "wheelbarrow" technique to defend against United's offensive onslaught. The defensive strategy wasn't successful as Omar "Ramo" Bourne scored his first of a pair of goals as the first half came to an end.

Although Traigalo was down four goals, they celebrated like champions during halftime as their cheerleaders arrived with their mascots, a pair of chickens. Traigalo teammates emphatically welcomed their "soccer mom," who prepared a barbecue with all the trimmings aside the field.

At the opening of the second half, Ramo scored his second

goal with fancy footwork from point-blank range. Just minutes later, United goalie, Henry Diaz, had his first save on a shot attempt by George.

Florin Radu of United scored a solo goal late in the second half, dribbling the ball the length of the field and putting it past Widing. Traigalo's next play, unheard of in soccer although quite entertaining.

On the inbound pass, Nathan Huber caught the ball with his hands and ran the ball football-style through United's defense. George who continued the advance and proceeded to pass it to (previously ejected) Aaron Roche, who threw the ball in the goal.

Team Traigalo erupted in celebration and fans looked at each other in bewilderment. Referee Peter Reinhardt calmly walked to the sideline and removed his whistle from his neck. Southern United won the contest 6-0.



the campus Chatter

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Announcements

This Saturday Night: There will be table games in the Dining Hall this Saturday night at 9:00 p.m. Come and enjoy a relaxing evening sipping a cool refreshment and hanging out with your friends.

Southern International Leadership Conference (SILC) - "Creating Unity through Diversity" (April 16-18): Come interact with fellow students at Southern while learning skills in leadership and cross-cultural understanding. All meals, events and entertainment will be included for a small registration fee of \$20. Some featured activities include: a service project, cultural games and simulation, student-led sessions, diversity talent show, "Global Panel" of professors and home-cooked ethnic meals. Spread the word that this is a weekend you will not want to miss!

Adventist Theological Society April 17 at 3:30 p.m. Hackman Hall 215 Speaker: Ganoune Diop - "From the Text of Scripture to the Text of Life: A Journey in the Word as pathway to God's Heart and Purpose."

Save a life and win some cash! Blood Assurance will be collecting donations at SAU on Tuesday, April 13, from 8:50 a.m. till 5:10 p.m. Schedule an appointment at Thatcher or Balje front desks. Five individuals who are signed up by 7:00 Tuesday morning and complete a donation will receive a \$10 cash prize. Remember, just a bit of your time could save someone's life.

Clubs & Departments

You are cordially invited to these upcoming (April and May) programs, to be held in Ackerman Auditorium, unless otherwise noted (*convocation credit given).

Sunday, April 11 at 7:30 pm: SAU String Quartet

Monday, April 12 at 7:30 pm: I Cantori

Tuesday, April 13 at 7:30 pm: SAU Woodwind Quintet

Thursday, April 15 at 7:30 pm:

Senior recital: Carol Davidson, piano

Sabbath, April 17 at 4 pm: Early Music Concert

*Sunday, April 18 at 7:30 pm in Church: Wind Symphony Spring Concert

Monday, April 19 at 8 pm: Junior Recital: Kirsten Carlson, flute

Friday, April 23 at 8 pm in Church: Choral/Orchestra Spring Concert (Walton's "Coronation Te Deum" and Durufle's "Requiem")

Sabbath, April 24 at 3:30 pm in Church: repeat performance of Friday, April 23

Sunday, April 25 at 3 pm in Church: Junior Recital:

Kristopher Schwinn, organ

*Tuesday, April 27 at 7:30 pm in Church: Senior Recital: Tim Hinck, organ

*Wednesday April 28 at 7:30 pm: Senior Recital: Sang Hyun Kang, cello

*Thursday, April 29 at 7:30 pm: Bel Canto Spring Concert

Saturday, May 1 at 8:30 pm in CA Auditorium: Jazz Ensemble Concert

*Sunday, May 2 at 7:30 pm: Senior Recital: Michelle Fournier, piano

Monday, May 3 at 7:30 pm in Church: Recital: David Williams, organ

*Tuesday, May 4 at 7:30 pm: Senior Recital: Sara Schone, bassoon

Friday, May 7 at 11 am: Recital: Becky Gerrans, piano

Campus Ministries

Destiny Drama Company presents... Paul McCusker's "SNAPSHOTS & PORTRAITS" A two hour play that takes a light hearted look at family relationships and reconciliation. DATES: 3 NIGHTS ONLY: Thursday, April 8, 2004 Friday, April 9, 2004 Saturday, April 10, 2004

TIMES: 7:30p.m. - 9:30p.m. nightly LOCATION: Collegedale Academy Auditorium

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-Tickets are now on sale at the courtesy desk at the Village Market.

-Tickets will be sold at the door for Thursday and Friday's performance.

-Tickets for SATURDAY NIGHTS show WILL NOT be sold at the door! THEY MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE!!!!

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southern.edu or contact

Southern Adventist University's Campus Ministries office at 238-2787.

In Tents to begin Monday, April 12 one of the most exciting, creative and inspirational events is on it's way to Southern, and you are invited to come! Campus Ministries would like to announce the arrival of the In Tents meetings, to be held next week, April 12-17. These student-led revival meetings will take place in the big red and white tent, pitched on the lawn in front of the music building. Expect great speaking, music and drama in a camp-meeting style atmosphere. This year's theme: "Going Home" will focus atten-

tion on Jesus, our relationships with Him and seeing our Savior soon. Monday through Thursday, the meetings will begin at 7:00 pm. Worship credit will be offered. Friday night vesper will also be held in the tent at 8:00 pm. Please note that vespers attire is casual, and you should bring a blanket to sit on. On Saturday, Sabbath school and Church will begin at 9:45 and 11:15 am. This is the second year "In Tents" has taken place, here at Southern. Back by popular demand, it is intended to offer a blend of relevant, religious programming intended to revive the students of Southern's campus.

SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, APRIL 8

9:00 am Community Service Day Breakfast (Dining Hall)

10:00 am Depart for Service Sites

11 am - 3 pm Community Service (Various Locations)

3:30 - 5 pm Dinner with Moe's (In front of Wright Hall)

6 - 11:00 pm McKee Library Open

7:30 pm Destiny Home Performance (Collegedale Academy Auditorium)

No Classes Birthdays: Jennifer Lee, Elizabeth Martin, Heidi McDonald, Chrissy Ray, Jevon Roberts, Bryce Wagner, Randy Craven

FRIDAY, APRIL 9 7:45 am SA Senate Surprise Day (Promenade)

12:00 pm Social Work Senior Exit Exam (Written portion)

due - Department

7:30 pm Destiny Home Performance (Collegedale Academy Auditorium)

8:00 pm Vespers - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)

8:08 pm Sunset Birthdays: Mike Boyd, Tim Brown, Becky Cory, Olen Grubbs, Michael Harley, Mark Hoover, Brandon Lasley, Glenn McGrody, Matt Schiller, Philip Villaluz, Elaine Janzen, Nancy Soopes

SATURDAY, APRIL 10 12:25 pm Advent Home (Meet in front of Wright Hall)

7:30 pm Destiny Home Performance (Collegedale Academy Auditorium)

9:00 pm Table Games Night (Dining Hall)

Church Services, SoarRise Resurrection Pageant Birthdays: Seth Blanchard, Ansley Howe, Luis

Jimenez, Jason King, Maria Maximova, Deborah Murray, Nathan Nickel, Kristy Olson, Amanda Powell, Derrill Sanford, Jonathan Thurmond, Rachel Tyson, Dennis Rogers

SUNDAY, APRIL 11

2:00 pm Destiny Home Performance (Collegedale Academy Auditorium)

Easter Birthdays: Shanell Adams, Carrie Carman, Jeremy Hitt, Billy Weeks

MONDAY, APRIL 12

3:30 pm University Senate Birthdays: Jinhee Ahn, Jennifer Mondo, Mary Dosssett, Emilee Forbes, Brittany Kopp, Paul Smith, Dany Treiber, Christopher White, Kathy Souchet

TUESDAY, APRIL 13

8:50 am - 5:10 pm Blood Assurance Donations Collected (Residence Halls)

7:00 pm Joint Worship - Campus Ministries (Thatcher)

Birthdays: Naiana Nicole Cancel, Ryan Harrell, Jennifer Hiles, David Matthews, Britney McLaughlin, Trai Penrose, Suzanne Silvers, Kelly Weimer

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

Birthdays: Althia Kinsey, Nick Kuchik, Jaye Petr, Sam Voigt, Gwen Smith

THURSDAY, APRIL 15

11:00 am Convocation - Awards (Iles)

Income Tax Return due Faculty Fall Textbook Order due, Campus Shop

Birthdays: Jan Bradley, Kelly Elliott, Dolly Porawski, Suzanne Truitt, Ryan Van Lanen, Keith Wakefield, Deata Zabolotny, Jacinta Rome, Mindi Walters

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Pretty fly for a white guy

BRYAN STITZER
YOUR FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD HUMOR EDITOR

When I look around campus I can't help but notice that there are a lot of clubs based on race...err, I mean culture. BCU, ASEANs, Russian club, Hispanic club, the my mom is half-Canadian so I'm ethnic...kinda club, the my mom is half-Chinese club, of course. And we could celebrate the rich history and culture of the white man. It would be great, I can see it now... White history month. Where we would learn about

famous white men in history that are often forgotten. And we could have white night in the gym where we could celebrate the culture and role of the white man. It would be a magical journey to the motherland of Caucasia we would see performances of River dance, the polka, and ...um... River dance. Yes and we could think of the wonderful things we have thanks to the white man, such as the light bulb, the movie, and songs like "Pretty Fly For A White Guy." Yes, I think that it is high time that my kind had a club on campus. So I hope you will all join me in ...um...er, joining the Caucasians club.

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By Jon Palmer

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Coffee, the Health Drink

JARED DALMAS
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

On Sunday, March 7, the BBC released an article that claims that coffee is a health drink. Now scientists have proven that my favorite morning beverage is a healthy beverage. Coffee contains tannin and antioxidants, which are good for the heart and arteries. The caffeine in this wonderful brew reduces the risk of an asthma attack as well as help to improve the circulation

within the heart. With all of these advantages, I say that the next food item at KR's will be the Jared tripleshot Venti Mocha for those cold mornings, and for those hot afternoons we will have a Jared's Java Blend. What could be better for those depressing mornings when you have class at the insane hour of eight in the morning? Coffee: the health drink showing up soon at the Village Market.

Top Ten ideas for a top ten list

THE COUNT
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

10. Top Ten things Helen would agree on
 9. Top Ten diseases of rock stars
 8. Top Ten rejected top ten list ideas
 7. Top Ten reasons top ten lists are old and tired
 6. Top Ten headings for hate mail to the humor editor
 5. Top Ten numbers
 4. Top Ten reasons David Letterman is old and tired
 3. Top Ten reasons Chad Pickeral is a wonderful person
 2. Top Ten items they're always out of at KR's
 1. Top Ten ideas for a Top Ten list
- 1...ah ah ah ah 2...ah ah ah etc.

English teacher wed!!!

BECKY WHETMORE
ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR HUMOR EDITOR

In a recent ceremony held in downtown Ooltewah, Deborah Ann Higgins of Southern Adventist University and Beowulf of Old English mythology were joined in holy matrimony.

Higgins, a longtime aficionado of Beowulf's epic adventures, is thrilled to report that the man is just as heroic as in the stories. She admits to having had some qualms regarding an in-depth relationship with so famous an individ-

ual, but now realizes that her fears were groundless: her new husband is everything she hoped he would be.

Beowulf maintains that after waiting for quite some time to find a woman worthy of his affections, his expectations have been more than filled. "She actually is my most committed fan," commented the ecstatic groom. "It really is fantastic to find someone who already knows everything about me. I know I don't have to pretend with her."

The newlyweds have chosen to take the bride's last name for

their new life together. "It just makes sense," observes the groom. "I've never had a surname before, and it would be a shame for her to have to fill out all the paperwork in order to officially change her title from Dr. Higgins when she's this close to completing her dissertation."

The couple will remain near Southern Adventist University, allowing Higgins to retain her job as a professor of English at the school. Beowulf plans to be a house-husband ("I'm tired of going off to fight monsters and dragons all the time; I need some time to myself") and will appear in his new wife's classes as a guest lecturer from time to time.

The bride was attended by Marie de France and Lady Guinevere, while the groom was attended by his long-time friend, Wiglaf. Sir Thomas Malory officiated at the nuptials; Geoffrey Chaucer was the photographer. Quite a few of Ms. Higgins' students attended the wedding; they will all receive an amount of extra credit equal to one letter grade.

The ducks volunteer to work at the zoo for Community Service Day...



by Justin Janetzko

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Service blesses community

MARANATHA HAY
Staff Writer

In a room with circulating dust clouds, Emily Moore sweeps up trash and dirt into neat piles. Her fellow volunteers pull growing vines out of cracks in windows that have been covered up by boards. In the hallway, several young men are maneuvering a tattered rug down the stairway. The faint creak of dogs yelping in the background for attention was all that reminded them that they were indeed, at the Humane Society.

Moore was one of the 700 people who volunteered for 4 hours last week for Community Service Day, an effort that involved roughly 23 percent of the staff and student body. This is one of the biggest turnouts Student Services has had.

"I think it's a really good experience to get out there and make a difference while being a witness," Moore, a freshman nursing major said.

Thomas Westworth, Social Vice-president, is pleased with the turnout and hopes for more involvement in the future.

Many were happy with the wide variety of 63 different sites to sign up for online.

"I didn't know which ones to choose from there were so many options," Melissa Laurel, a junior business administration major said.

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Photo by Jacqui Sealey
 Matt Pettibone sweeps away brush with Thursday afternoon in the Humane Society.



Photo by Melita Fujie

Larry Baxter, portraying Jesus Christ, bangs on a cross during the SonRise pageant on Sabbath.

SonRise: a great opportunity for witnessing

KRISTY BOROWIK
Staff Writer

After years of trying to find a way to minister to his father, Alex Spearman, junior religious education major, finally decided to invite him and the rest of his family to the SonRise pageant last Sabbath. Spearman said the opening scene in the church and the resurrection scene especially moved his father. "Though he didn't make a concrete statement, I know that he saw Jesus that day and had a personal experience with him," Spearman said.

Many other students and faculty members were also able to witness with friends, family and community members that day.

"A friend of mine invited an older non-Adventist couple to SonRise, and afterwards the couple expressed to me how much they enjoyed it," said Emorya Adams, senior art major. "They felt it was very well done and that it was very effective," she added. Adams used that opportunity to give them a booklet called "The Passion" by Ellen White.

Pastor Douglas Tilstra, who volunteered this year as a banner bearer and as an animal keeper last year, said he had some conversations with the community guests in both situations. "They expressed such deep appreciation that we offer this as a gift to the community each year," he said. "I'm thankful we

do!" he added. Tilstra felt that the improvements made this year in the entrance and exit to the resurrection scene allowed for more interaction and the possibility for guests to pick up literature and to talk with those who were offering it.

Bryan Stitzer, who played Satan, also said he felt this year had more of an effect on him than previous years. "I stayed in character in between most shows and it was hard snarling and sneering at my friends and family, but I prayed God would use me," Stitzer said. He feels that God did use him because one woman told him that she cried at

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The sting of reproach, is the truth of it.
 Benjamin Franklin,
 Poor Richard's Almanack, 1746

New media heads plan changes, let God lead

BRIAN MAGSIPOC
STAFF WRITER

New editors and producers selected to head next year's student publications are already planning changes.

Tim Jester, junior journalism major, and editor-elect for *The Southern Accent*, wants to change the humor page.

"It's going to have a whole new focus," he said. "You'll have a crossword puzzle, word searches...it's going to be a lot more interactive."

In spite of changes, Jester believes in letting God lead. "As long as you live your life according to God's will, he's going to bless what you're doing," he said.

English always came easy to Jester, who helped edit the school newspaper at Shenandoah Valley Academy. With two years of *Accent* experience, Jester knows the biggest obstacle of any newspaper-keeping deadlines.

"People don't like deadlines much, and newspapers are deadline-oriented," he said.

Jester is one of four students chosen by the student media board to lead Southern's media organizations for next year. Those groups include the year-end multi-media show, *Strawberry Festival*; the university's yearbook, *Southern Memories*; the *Joker* student directory; and *The Southern Accent*.

In January, students turned in applications and portfolios for review by the media board, comprised of 13 students and faculty, including the Student Association president and vice president.



The new SA media editors from left to right: Nathan Zinoer, Strawberry Festival director; Eric Henton, Joker editor; Erica Scott, Memories editor; and Tim Jester, The Southern Accent editor.

The board selected Eric Henton, junior media production major, as next year's *Joker* editor. He has worked with audio/visual equipment since the age of nine. But though he has experience, Henton still faces obstacles. He is working with SA financial officers to determine how much was spent on last year's *Joker*.

"I just want to find out...what I'm signing my name to," he said. As for the future, he plans to go "wherever God leads."

Next year's *Southern Memories* will be edited by Erica Scott, a junior art major. Raised in New York City, she grew up doodling and copying Disney cartoons. Scott has

interned at Red Rooster Group, a small marketing company, and this summer she will intern at *Essence Magazine*, a lifestyle magazine for African-American women.

"I have these God-given talents. I just want to use them to the best of my ability," she said.

Nathan Zinoer, a senior media production major will direct next year's *Strawberry Festival*. Zinoer started working with sound equipment at the age of 13. He spent a year in England working as a producer with Adventist World

Radio. He has also spent three years as the sound engineer for *Destiny Drama Company*.

Zinoer plans to document the year and present it in an attractive fashion. "I want to have something that everyone can enjoy—that everyone can relate to." And what are Zinoer's goals? "My main goal is to follow wherever the Lord leads," Zinoer said.

Next year's media heads are talented, experienced and dedicated to making awesome productions. The students all share a common goal—a dedication to letting God lead.

Under the big top

DANIELLE MUHLBECK
STAFF WRITER

There are no lion tamers, clowns or acrobats in the tent located outside of Brock Hall. However, at 7:00 p.m. every night this week, a tent full of students, bluegrass gospel music and a team of people with the "In Tent" to make a difference on the campus of Southern can be found.

"It [the meeting] provides an opportunity to worship God together with other people. Our intent is that it is true worship," said Joudelle McGhee, chaplain's assistant and coordinator of the event.

The theme for the program is "going home." A new student speaker will be featured each meeting to talk about the excitement of going to live with Jesus.

"We want people to realize that heaven is our home," McGhee said.

According to Jenny Tilley, senior theology major, the team of organizers "tried to get talent that is not overused."

Jennifer Francisco, a senior theology major, was the presenter at Tuesday's program. She spoke about how Jesus gives us an invitation to be His children. Prior to her talk, *Destiny Drama Company* presented a skit and the musical

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Students question police action

Police deny pointing guns at students in Brock Hall gun hoax

RENIE WILLIAMS
STAFF WRITER

Collegiate police deny they pointed their guns at students in Brock Hall while investigating a hoax March 26.

"We saw [officers] pointing their guns at the guy" who was accused of having a gun, said Sara Hines, a sophomore religious studies and psychology major. Hines was a member of the comp 102 class the accused student was in at the time. She reported having seen two officers point their guns at the student.

Sergeant Estou Pyle, who led the police tactical team, told the *Accent* that was not the case. "I was with the team of officers almost the entire time, and to my knowledge...no officer pointed their gun at any of the students, nor should they have," Pyle said.

Pyle went on to explain,

"The only thing you would want to point your gun at...would be something or someone that you know is an immediate threat to you."

The officers entered Brock Hall in response to a phone call made to campus safety alleging that a man and woman stood outside of the building arguing. The man was waving a handgun, the caller alleged. A few minutes later, campus safety received another phone call alleging that the couple had entered the building and the man was still carrying a gun.

The officers' search produced no weapon, and the incident appeared to be a hoax, according to a press release by Rob Howell, Southern's director of public relations.

The press release quoted Sergeant Pyle as saying, "Although we're glad to find no one in danger, we still have to treat every report, anonymous

or not, as if it has the potential to become dangerous."

Police response to actual or threatened school shootings has changed in recent years. Prior to the shootings at Columbine High School, police basically arrived at the scene and waited outside for a S.W.A.T. team—"somebody with better equipment than what patrol officers are carrying," Pyle said.

At Columbine, officers stood outside and listened to the shooting going on inside.

"There's no way to determine the exact number of lives that could have been saved had the officers taken immediate action, but there's a pretty good possibility it could have been quite a few," Pyle said.

Today, the first few officers who arrive on the scene usually take immediate action to take care of the threat and any possible victims.

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Administrators recommend eliminating MSE program

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DAVE WILLIAMS
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Southern administrators recommended closing the School of Computing's Master Software Engineering program, according to Jared Bruckner, dean of the School of Computing. The Board of Trustees will vote on the recommendation, as well as the School of Computing's recommendation to continue the program, at the next board meeting April 19, Bruckner said.

Following the board's approval of the closure, no new applicants will be accepted into the School of Computing, announced in a press release dated April 6. Current MSE students are to complete their studies at Southern within the next year.

The press release quoted Bruckner as saying, "The MSE program has grown steadily over the past few years, but it is not met administrative operations; therefore, the administration is pushing us to direct all our efforts toward our undergraduate program."

According to University President Gordon Bietz, the Board of Trustees establishes criteria for the continuation of masters programs at Southern, and the MSE program did not fill the requirements.

"At the end of the day, if a subject isn't purchased by students enrolling, then it isn't effective," Bietz said.

While the School of Computing says they will cooperate with any decision by the Board of Trustees, Bruckner said the Accent he doesn't agree with the recommendation to eliminate the program.

"Southern, the church and education in general is losing a innovative and high quality MSE program. I am disappointed in the unwillingness to allow it more time to grow," he said in the press release.

Rownea Ong, senior computer science major, agreed with the recommendation to eliminate the MSE program. "I believe that our resources would be better spent on making the undergraduate program the best that it could be," she said.

Ong believes that in order to have a good MSE program, Southern would need more professors who could do research and be involved in industry projects in addition to teaching.

"Our professors now are already overloaded with classes," she said. "To my knowledge, we don't have the funding to support a good MSE program."

Nathan Taube, senior computer systems administration major, said closing the MSE program is "a giant step backwards for Southern...It's a premature decision because the computer program is growing."

Bruckner said the School of Computing plans to apply "more resources, technology and energy to enhance the ongoing development and possible expansion of the undergraduate computing program."

These changes will include lighter class loads for the professors and more space for undergraduate labs.

Some students started a petition immediately after the School of Computing announced the proposed closure, asking that the program be continued. Bietz said the President's Cabinet generally looks at such petitions, unless they are directed to a specific committee or group.

This is the second consecutive year campus ministries has held these meetings. "Attendance has tripled from last year," said Ken Rogers, chaplain.

Chairs are provided for students, however attendance may be high and McGhee suggests bringing a blanket to sit on for the 8:00 p.m. vesper service on Friday. The attire is casual.

On Saturday, Sabbath school begins in the tent at 9:45 a.m. with the church service beginning at 11:15 a.m.

Still, while there were many options to plant flowers and weed, there were also other service opportunities that went against the conventional grain.

While some were at the animal shelter, others were spreading mulch at the local zoo, picking up trash in caves, and making signs for the Coatac Chattanooga yard sale.

Tough work? Sometimes. But to Laurel, it's worth it.

"It's wonderful to have people volunteer. Anytime you can come, we need the help down here. We need it badly," said Ginger Cresswell, Office

Manager of the Humane Society.

Although each service project was different, there seems to be one common thread. No one says no to volunteers, and most of the time, the people are very grateful.

And for those who are thinking of doing it next year? Coordinator Rachelle Kerr encourages everyone to do it.

"It's a chance to get out and show the community that we are involved and care about their needs," said Kerr.

"I loved my site, had a really good bonding experience with those who came with me to my site, and felt that we did some good to help someone else. Sign up next year! 'Its worth it,'" said Wentworth.

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his scene when he implicated the crowd for ignoring Jesus.

"I felt that made all the difficulty worthwhile, because I don't know if anyone else in the thousands that went through was moved by what I did, but I know I made a difference for her," he said.

Students felt the spiritual impact of the Passion as well.

"I have been involved in SonRise since I've been at Southern, and never has it impacted me the way it did when I walked through with the crowd," Spearman said. "After the countless times of watching the resurrection and all the

behind-the-scenes work it still brought me to my knees."

However, some students that have been at Southern for a few years have indicated that SonRise did not have the same impact that it once had for them when they went for the first time. They just walked through because it was a better alternative for church and they did not want to "miss out on anything that might happen."

Still there are others like Ron Cloutier, dean of the School of Religion, who has attended SonRise half a dozen times, and still feels moved by scenes like the struggle at the Garden of Gethsemane. "Few realize what my Lord gave for me to live with God forever," he said. "Gethsemane is just a glimpse."

Typhoon Sudal devastates Yap

DON CANTRELL
NEWS EDITOR

An immensely destructive typhoon devastated the island of Yap last week, crippling its infrastructure and virtually ending Southern's student missionary operations for this year.

"They have no communications, no power, no infrastructure. Their public utilities building has been destroyed, whole villages have been washed on the water front, the hospital has some damage, the airport is a mess. They say this is the worst typhoon they've ever seen," said Bruce Best, research associate at the University of Guam.

Yap began experiencing typhoon intensity winds at 7 a.m. Friday, April 9. At the height of the storm, named Sudal, the island was being battered by sustained winds of up to 125 mph with gusts of up to 150 mph. By the time Sudal pulled away from Yap, the island would have experienced at least six to nine hours of typhoon-intensity winds, said Dan Mundell, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service.

According to Southern's student missions department, the SDA church ran an elementary and high school on the island, however the facility has been destroyed and will remain closed for the rest of the school year.

Before the typhoon, Southern had eight students serving in Yap as missionaries. Given the magnitude of the destruction, six of them will be returning home as soon as the island's airport is functional. Two students, Kety Bonilla and Tina Nelson have chosen to remain to assist in rebuilding.

While there were no early reports of fatalities or major injuries, this could change once flooded roads reopen and lines of communication are repaired.

"So many people have lost all they owned. It was quite sad to drive around on Sabbath and see the destruction," said Nelson; one of the students staying in Yap. "I don't think a single house we saw was undamaged and most of them were completely gone. There are villages I don't recognize anymore."



Ben Lundquist preaches for InTents Tuesday night.

Photo contributed

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Group Sweet Mountain Adollers led a bluegrass styled style song service.

"I liked the atmosphere," said worship attendee Dustin Berg, freshman Elementary Education major. "It reminded me of campmeeting."

According to McGhee, this was the atmosphere that she was participating. By holding the meetings in a tent, "it brings back the old tent revival feeling," said McGhee.

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LIFESTYLES

Southern student earns Fulbright Scholarship

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The Netherlands is home to some of the best organs and organ teachers in the world, and this coming fall it will also be home to Tim Hinck, Hinck, who will graduate in May, was awarded the Fulbright Scholarship this year.

Hinck was encouraged to apply for the scholarship by Judy Glass, his organ teacher, and by Scott Ball, dean of the School of Music.

"I wrote a letter of recommendation for Tim, but we all knew it was kind of a long shot," Ball said. "It's nothing against Tim's ability, but it's just that the Fulbright is a very competitive scholarship."

The Fulbright Scholarship is a government-sponsored exchange program that allows

outstanding students in a number of fields of study abroad. Those who earn this prestigious award are granted a year of study in the country of their choice. All their expenses are covered during their stay abroad.

Hinck has been playing piano since he was six. "I played piano my whole life," Hinck said, "and when I came to Southern, I decided to switch my focus to organ."

With the immensity of his talent, Hinck had his pick of schools at which to study music. He chose to come to Southern for his bachelor's degree.

"Southern has one of the best music programs of private colleges in the country, plus it's a good Christian school in my denomination,"



Photo by Rachel Day

Tim Hinck practices on the pipe organ in the Collegedale Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sunday afternoon.

Hinck said.

Despite hours of practice every week, Hinck still finds

time to participate in his second and favorite hobby: rock climbing.

"If I'm not practicing or performing music, I'm rock climbing," Hinck said.

Along with rock climbing and music, Hinck also enjoys art and writing.

Music, rock climbing, art and writing may be enjoyable, but they don't pay the bills. Hinck works with elite property maintenance a few hours a week, during which he can be seen cleaning windows on campus. He also uses his musical abilities to do musical arrangements for weddings and other special occasions.

Hinck hopes to earn a doctorate in music and eventually to gain employment as a music performer. Hinck said that if he is not able to perform professionally, he wants to teach music on the college level.

'Pizza Guy' lives the American dream

SARA BANDEL
STAFF WRITER

Dave Smid, or "the pizza guy," as some call him, left his home and family in the Czech Republic to start a new life here in the United States.

"Two bags and three hundred dollars was all I had when I got off the plane," Smid said.

Although he is only 26 years old, he has seen many changes in his life.

Smid moved to the United States from the Czech Republic almost five years ago.

It had been his dream since he was young to come to the United States.

Many people who dream of coming to the United States think that everyone there is much smarter and richer than they are, he said.

"Most people think the U.S. is one big Harvard," he said.

After getting off the plane in Atlanta he was surprised to see how different reality was.

Although he still has a slight accent, he learned to speak English at the age of 11. It meant one less obstacle to overcome as he went to find a job.

His first few months in the United States he did odd jobs such as carpet cleaning to sur-



Photo by Jacqui Seely

Dave Smid gets ready for his evening pizza rush in Talge Hall Tuesday night. The most popular pizza toppings include: cheese, olive/mushroom and pineapple/onion/green olive.

vive. After realizing that he would need a car, he began saving for one.

Sometimes I was walking five miles to work," he said. His first car was a 1992 black Chevy Lumina Mini van. In 2001 he began his job at Papa John's.

Every night except Friday from about 9-11 p.m., Smid stands by his stack of steaming pizzas in the Talge lobby wearing khaki slacks and Papa John's baseball cap.

Although he is well known for his pizzas, his name is not well known.

Samuel Swayze, a religious studies major, is a customer of "the pizza guy," however, he says, "I don't know his name." Though many people don't know his name, there are a few that do.

Jacquelin Wallace-Sledge, a sports marketing manage-

ment/Spanish major said, "He is nice."

Kathleen Walker, General Manager of Collegedale's Papa John's, says Smid came up with the idea of selling pizzas in Talge, so she let him run with it.

One of his busiest times is immediately after worship gets out. For ten minutes or so, the lobby is swarming with residents waiting to buy one of America's favorite foods.

Smid provides almost any variety of pizza, but says large cheese, olive and mushroom pizzas sell the best. Each pizza is only \$7.

"The most pizzas I have sold (in one night) was 30," Smid said.

However, he usually sells 12-15 pizzas a night. In addition, he admits that only one out of a dozen students is him.

Currently Smid is saving money to go back to college, although he doesn't know where he wants to attend. Someday he wants to start a business of his own such as a franchise.

He also wants to publish a book that is his writing. The book contains his anecdotes and life experiences.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT RELIGION

Easter pageant becomes popular

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WINTER

This past weekend, Easter pageant on the mind of America. The focus was due to the "Passion of the Christ." However, for those living in and around Collegedale, the annual SonRise Easter pageant was the main attraction. Collegedale is not the only university town with an Easter pageant.

This year Andrews University is on its second annual Passion Play, a walk through pageant largely resembling SonRise. According to the website www.passionplay.andrews.edu, nearly 5,000 people total participated in Andrews' first annual Passion Play, whether they were walking through or were directly involved in the pageant. One difference between Andrews' Passion Play and Southern's SonRise is the number of days the play is performed. SonRise is held only on the Sabbath before Easter, beginning at 8:45 a.m. and continuing into the late afternoon. At Andrews, regular church services are held on Sabbath morning.

The Passion Play begins on Sabbath afternoon and continues on Easter Sunday. Another difference is that at Andrews the play is run completely by students, according to the website. This year Director Kristen Benson, sophomore English major, headed the team.

The Keene Seventh-day Adventist Church, along with Southwestern Adventist University, is looking at developing a ministry based program to offer their community. Mic Thurber, senior pastor at Keene, had heard positive things about SonRise and was interested in seeing it first hand. Phil Robertson, associate pastor for administration, had been through the pageant several years before and had enjoyed his experience. Last weekend a delegation from the pastoral staff came up from Keene to observe SonRise. Three staff members drove up Thursday with their families, and seven more flew in to the Collegedale Airport Sabbath morning on a chartered plane.

Robertson felt that SonRise was a very good experience for the staff, and that there was positive feedback from those who had visited.

"It is a wonderful thing to provide an opportunity to experience the story of salvation in the context of a worshipping community," he said.

Whether or not Southwestern will implement such an Easter program is still undecided. But the basic idea of ministry based community outreach remains in discussion.

With the focus on community outreach spreading to Adventist university campuses, many lives are sure to be touched with the message of Christ.

church cannot survive without them.

"We want to hear from them—what they feel, and what they would like to say to their church," he adds. "And I want them to know that it is our intention to take their comments seriously."

The "Let's Talk" Website design competition is open to church members under 25 years of age. The winning designer will receive a cash prize as well as a donation toward a mission project.

Entries close May 31. Complete details about the Web design competition are online at:

<http://presidential.gc.adventist.org/letstalkcontest/>

Harvesting the world, answering our own prayers

CHRISLYN CLAYVILLE
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Most of us are not too involved in planting, tending, and harvesting these days. Often we do not even give a second thought about where our food comes from. We just eat and enjoy! In some places, there is another story. Take Nepal for example. Day by day, season by season, village people toil away in their fields, planting and harvesting rice, wheat and potatoes in an endless cycle just to survive. The Nepali people are a wonderful example of what Jesus is asking us to do. We are to be villagers working our fields (the world).

Throughout the Bible, Jesus talks about harvest time. "He who goes out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with him" (Psalm 126:6, NIV).

"Another angel will come out

of the temple and call in a loud voice to him who is sitting on the cloud, 'Take your sickle and reap, because the time to reap has come, for the harvest of the earth is ripe'" (Revelation 14:15).

"Swing the sickle, for the harvest is ripe" (Joel 3:13).

"My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more and then the harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. Even now the reaper draws his wages, even now he harvests the crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together" (John 4:34-37).

"He who gathers in summer is a wise son, but he who sleeps in harvest is a son who causes shame" (Proverbs 10:5).

So what are we going to do

about this time of reaping? How tragic it would be if after harvest, people cry out saying, "The harvest is past, the summer has ended, and we are not saved!" (Jeremiah 8:20)

Folks, "the harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few" (Matthew 9:37; Luke 10:2). Our primary task is to "ask the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into his harvest field" (Luke 10:2; Matthew 9:37, 38). We need to begin some serious praying for more laborers. And then, if the Lord taps us on the shoulder and invites us out into the field to work alongside Him, we need to be willing to be the answer to our own prayers.

One day when the harvest is past and summer is ended, we can all gather together for the greatest Thanksgiving dinner celebration of all eternity!

Write. Tell. Share.

The Religion Section of the Southern Accent is looking for testimonies, missionary experiences, spiritual triumphs and struggles, stories of answered prayer, and ministry profiles. Interested in sharing yours?

Call 238-2542 or e-mail seanreed@southern.edu

Young people to have "direct line" to church president

ETTINA KRAUSE
INTERNET NEWS NETWORK

Adventist youth will be able to design websites that give them a direct line to the highest level of church administration. The General Conference announced a design competition for the new site, which will open in August, as a way to get young adults to communicate with Pastor Jan Paulsen, president of the church.

"I recognize that many, many of our young people feel distance from the church—they feel as if they don't have a voice, they don't feel that they have been heard, they don't feel that they have been understood," says Paulsen. "But I want them to know that the

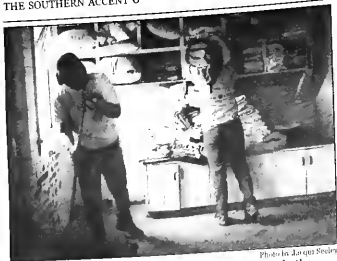


Photo by Jacqui Seely
Alumni Fern Christiansen, right, organizes blankets in the Humane Society.



Photo by Jacqui Seely
Melinda Jamieson, left, and Kerri Brown weed at the Warner Park Zoo Thursday afternoon.

Community Service Day

Southern students serve Chattanooga area



Photo by Paula Dine
Brad Clifford pressure washes the swimming pool at Bachman Academy in Cleveland.



Photo by Maria La Cerna
A crew from Southern volunteers at the Chattanooga Area Food Bank.



Photo by Jacqui Seely
Rob Quigley trims the hedges at Contact Chattanooga Thursday afternoon.



Photo by Jacqui Seely
Justin Moore picks out old dirt at Contact Chattanooga.



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SonRise

A life walk-through in the last week in Jesus' life



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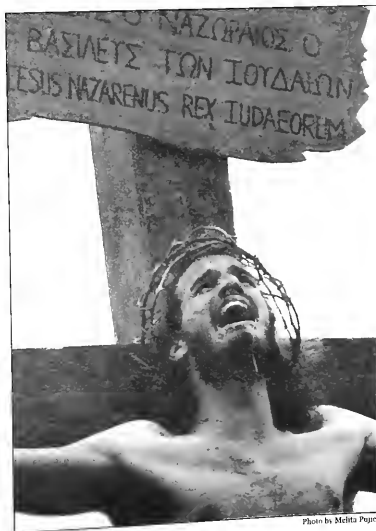


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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT OPINION

Thumbs-up Thumbs-down By Justin Kobylka



Thumbs up to the maintenance department for being so prompt when it comes to fixing things in students' rooms and around campus as a whole. Thanks for doing your job so well, especially for being quick on fixing our rooms.

Thumbs down to the dorms OVER compensating for the outside temperature with all this heat. Don't these people realize that the dramatic changes in temperature is what causes a lot of people to get sick?? It's gotta be 85 degrees right when you walk into Thatcher South and 90 when you climb the stairs. This is ridiculous. Submitted by Kristy Borowik



Thumbs up to the rapid progress on the new wing of Talge. It is great to see a professional crew out there that carries on the work in all conditions. It's looking great!



Thumbs down to the heat failure in Hickman on Tuesday night / Wed morning. Although the students and faculty can put up with it, there are a lot of live animals in the biology department who I'm sure didn't appreciate the sudden cold snap.

JASON VANDERLAAN
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

There seems to be a lot of talk these days about file-sharing. Here at Southern it is obvious that file-sharing occurs frequently. Just take a look at how many files are shared on the network. Considering this fact, I feel that it is important to address the issue of file-sharing and how it relates to us, the students of Southern.

By "file-sharing" I mean the obtaining of files that a person has not legally purchased. Some people argue about whether or not this actually affects the music, movie and software industries. Others argue about whether file-sharing should be illegal or not. In my opinion, both these concerns are irrelevant to the problem here at Southern and all over the world. I am not here to discuss all the techni-

calities of file-sharing. What I'm concerned about is when people obtain files without paying for them.

The fact is that file-sharing is illegal. According to the U.S. Copyright Office, copyright infringement is "when a copyrighted work is reproduced, distributed or made into a derivative work without the permission of the copyright owner" (www.copyright.gov). This definition has been carried over to the digital realm through the 'No Electronic Theft' Act of 1997 and the Digital Millennium Copyright Act of 1998. This means that the unauthorized use or reproduction of copyrighted software, music, movies, TV shows, photographs, et cetera, is illegal.

Whether we like it or not, file-sharing is illegal and, as Christians, we should obey the laws of this country. This is a Biblical principle that can be seen in Mark 12:13-17 and Romans 13:1-6. We are told to submit to the governing authorities. This includes obeying copyright laws.

In addition to this, Christians believe in the Ten Commandments. One of these commandments says, "You shall not steal." When you think about it, illegal file-sharing is basically stealing. For example, you wouldn't walk into a music store, pick up a CD and walk out without paying for it, because that is stealing. Yet that is exactly what we are doing when we download a

music file without paying for it. Obtaining a music file, or any other item, without paying for it is stealing.

You also wouldn't go into a video store, take a movie home and watch it only to return it without paying for it. So how much different is it to download a movie, watch it and then delete it? The principle is that you're taking something without paying for it, regardless of how long you keep it.

Why is it so hard for us to see that file-sharing is both illegal and immoral? My guess is that copying a file to your computer is much more convenient than physically stealing the same thing from a store. Convenience, however, does not change whether an act is right or wrong.

I know that this is not an easy decision to make. I struggled for a long time before I decided to give up all my illegal copies of music, videos and software. When I did this I also calculated how much it would cost to replace all my essential items (mainly software), and the total came to about \$300. However, through the blessings of God, I was able to replace all of my essentials for only \$60! Everyone who makes the decision to do what is right will be blessed even if they do not save money.

In conclusion, I'd like to leave you this Wal-Mart-informed thought: Music CD: \$13; DVD: \$18; Video Game: \$50; Knowing you've been honest with God: priceless.

Take time to be holy

ANDREW BERMUDEZ
OPINION COLUMNIST

It's hard to believe that there is less than a month left until the end of the semester. Barely 20 days from now, we will be working our way through finals week. Whether it is papers to write, summer plans to make, musical performances to prepare for, or just a nondescript conglomeration of 'busy-ness', chances are that there is something that is making your life seem hectic.

In times like these, often one of the first things to become neglected is our relationship with God. Somehow Bible study, prayer and witnessing take a back seat to needs that seem far more pressing. But where should our priorities be? Neither you nor I may be able to spend an hour every morning and evening in the Word, but certainly we can all make a little extra time somewhere to give to the One we call our dearest Friend.

There are a few things I find to be especially great blessings in my own spiritual life. One is attending a Bible study group on Thursday evenings. It is so inspirational to take that little extra time to share with others the blessings, special insights and trials that we have been experiencing through the week. I also enjoy taking a short time for devotions with my girlfriend a few mornings each week, sharing a moment or two in reading from God's Word together.

Another incredible blessing is spending those last minutes before drifting off into sleep in conversation with the Lord. Maybe you fall asleep the moment your head touches the

pillow, but my body doesn't operate that way, so I like to use that extra time to commune with God - thanking Him for the good experiences of the day, praising Him for all He does for me and praying for both myself and those I know who need prayer. Of course, not every prayer will be answered affirmatively, but I have been blessed in the past with answers that seem miraculous to me. That's such an encouragement to keep on praying, even when things look impossible!

If you have your own special way of keeping up your relationship with God, I would just encourage you not to let other things get in the way. And if you have found yourself neglecting spiritual things, take that little extra time in these busy days to find the Lord and make Him your best Friend and confidante.

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Letters to the editor

Alaska isn't the answer for energy

Dear Editor,

In Timothy Morse's April 8 article, "Tree Huggers," the author blames high gas prices on the "Hippies and Democrats" who want to prevent oil-drilling in Alaska. He reasons that since Alaska is so sparsely populated it would be idiotic to keep out oil-drilling, who is using the land anyway?

Morse's article rests on two false presuppositions. First, he believes that land is useful only if it is being used for human habitation or resource extraction. It is this kind of uninformed philosophy that has brought ecological catastrophe to our world: ruined coastlines, devastated coral systems, acid rain, atmospheric holes, species decimation, raped forests. When will we learn that the earth has a value that cannot be labeled

with dollar signs? The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR), which sparked the controversy about drilling in Alaska, possesses a worth that is beyond temporary relief for fuel-dependent Americans. It is a vital part of the global ecosystem upon which we all depend, and most importantly, it is absolutely irreplaceable—just ask the 988 species in the United States that are headed toward extinction.

Secondly, Morse bases his argument on the incorrect assumption that Alaska oil will satisfy the American demand and drive down gas prices. There is a conspicuous fact that Morse and like-minded others are overlooking: oil is not a renewable resource. When we run out, there is no more. With U.S. motor fuel consumption averaging about 8.9 million barrels

per day and projected to go only up in the next years, Alaska is not the answer. The solution that America has turned her ear from is found in renewable resources. So while nations like Germany plan to be operating from 50 percent renewable resources by 2050, the United States plans to be searching for more pristine wilderness from which to extract oil. When we have an inevitable energy crisis as the oil runs thin and we have not invested enough in renewable resources, all our energy, including gasoline, will have sky-high prices. The short-term vision that wants to sacrifice ANWR on the altar of temporary profit is a vision that our nation, our planet, truly cannot afford.

Kessia Lawson, senior, interdisciplinary studies, theology

Stewardship is the answer

Dear Editor,

This is written partially in response to Timothy Morse's editorial of the 8, where he makes a statement blaming "Hippies and Democrats" for our reliance on foreign oil. Sadly, his sentiments will be blindly accepted as truth by many otherwise intelligent people.

The oil supply, as with most other commodities, is governed by the inexorable law of supply and demand. As long as so many people insist on driving inefficient vehicles (like SUVs) inefficiently (with only one or two people on board), it matters not one iota how much people of Mr. Morse's ilk despoil the Alaskan wilderness, because we will STILL be dependent on foreign oil.

I have not seen the "studies" he cites, but reputable studies report that (1) the oil reserves in Alaska are not large enough to allow us to become completely independent of foreign energy sources, and (2) it will take decades to develop these resources, even if all us "Hippies and Democrats" died tomorrow, allowing President Bush and Big Oil free rein over the Alaskan wilderness.

Speaking of the President, just in case no one has figured this out yet, OPEC has cut oil production quotas (the supply-side of supply & demand) in a not-so-subtle response to Bush's Iraq adventure. It is the

fervent hope of OPEC and their radical Islamic cousins to bring our economy to its knees so that we will not have enough money to continue supporting foreign wars. Remember, many countries receiving the dollars you spend at the pump help fund Islamic terrorism around the world with those same dollars.

So what is a better answer? Drive a fuel-efficient vehicle efficiently. Take mass transportation whenever possible. Use bicycles or motorcycles when you can. And support the use of nuclear power—especially since the armor-piercing rounds our military needs are made from depleted uranium; you can lessen our dependence on foreign oil at the same time that you lend support to our troops in foreign lands.

And yet, I do support limited oil drilling in Alaska, but it must be done in a responsible manner. We can have the best of both cheaper oil prices and beautiful wilderness lands, but compromises must be made, both in how the Alaskan oil drilling is done, and in the amount of demand we consumers place on the oil supply. God expects us to be responsible stewards of the earth He created, and that means we must live a less extravagant lifestyle, at the same time preserving the natural beauty of His creation.

Tres Wood, MBA, Class of 2002

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Praise for 'Snapshots'

Dear Editor:

Destiny Drama Co.'s strong performance last weekend of "Snapshots and Portraits" will be remembered as one of the company's finest homeshows. The creative staging showed talented actors who've grown beyond sketches and skits. These performers raised the bar of Christian drama at Southern. Besides the on-stage talent who rarely missed a line,

the back-stage crew and sound engineering were tops.

The best is yet to come. Under the professional direction of Maria Sager, Destiny is emerging as a powerful witness to schools and academics all over the Southern Union.

Thank you Maria and the Destiny team.

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If you feel passionate
about an issue, then
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Accent wants to hear
what you have to say.

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SPORTS

NBA Playoff predictions Bonds among all-time greats

ETHAN NKANA
SPORTS EDITOR

The NBA regular season has finally come to an end. The Minnesota Timberwolves sit on top of the West with a record of 57-24*, and the Indiana Pacers claim the best record in the NBA with a record of 60-21.

I must admit that I am very surprised with the Pacers' effort this year, it looks as though they have the manpower to win the Eastern Conference Finals. Also, the Wolves look like they will finally make it out of the first round with the help of Latrell Sprewell and Sam Cassell.

The West is stacked with the Lakers, Wolves, Mavs, Spurs, Kings and Rockets all vying for a title. The East, noticeably

weaker features the Pacers, Nets and Pistons battling for a trip to the Finals.

This article appears to be the same as any other pre-playoffs jargon you've seen quite a bit of lately, but there is one large distinction: I will make predictions. At the risk of being in the wrong I will let you know what is going to happen in the playoffs this year.

Listen carefully and take notes.

First, Sacramento has been playing the best basketball I've ever seen them play, but despite popular belief, they WILL NOT win the championship. This is their last chance, and once again they will come up short of the mark. They WILL defeat Houston in

the first round, but will fall to Minnesota in round two.

The New Jersey Nets will represent the East in the NBA Finals. They will defeat the Knicks, Pacers and Pistons in the postseason. Anyone with common sense knows that the Western Conference representative in the finals will win the title but the Nets are the only Eastern team that has a chance of making noise in the Finals.

I'm not going to predict a Western Conference representative for the NBA Finals just yet, but my pick probably won't change between now and the time I divulge my prediction. Detroit vs. New Jersey in the Eastern Conference Finals will be a brawl. I'm out like Boston in round one.



www.sfgiants.com

Bonds points to the crowd at Pac Bell Park after home run #661.

DON CANTRELL
CONTRIBUTING SOX FAN

San Francisco Giants slugger Barry Bonds secured his place in history with a right-field blast off Milwaukee's Ben Ford on Tuesday.

The home run, Bonds' 661st, gave him a place among baseball's greats by securing sole possession of 3rd place on the all-time home runs list.

Bonds tied his godfather, Willie Mays at 3rd place with his 660th home run on Monday. Strangely enough, Bonds' 660th and 661st both sailed over Pac Bell Park's right field wall, landing in McCovey's Cove and were both fished out of the water by the same boat-riding fan.

Bonds is 53 home runs behind Babe Ruth and 94 home runs behind Hank Aaron, the all time home runs leader. In my opinion, Bonds is likely to pass them both. Although Barry is 39 and undeniably in the twilight of his career, age does not seem to be silencing his bat at all. He has

averaged over 49 homeruns a year in his past 5 seasons and set the single season home run record at 73 when he was 36 years old. Barry uses a relatively short bat and has a quick, compact swing, providing more than ample power. If he stays injury free and can perform at even close to the level he is at now, he is sure to surpass Hank Aaron's record within the next 2 or 3 years.

What makes Bonds such a remarkable player is not his sheer slugging prowess alone. He has over 2,600 career hits and a respectable career batting average of just under .300. He is quite capable defensively and was exceptionally speedy in his younger days, racking up 500 career stolen bases.

Bonds is the complete package (his reported lack of team spirit aside); a patient, powerful hitter, prudent base runner and good defensive player, all for the bargain price of \$18 million a year.

NBA's Ten Best

ETHAN NKANA
SPORTS EDITOR

In keeping with the Accent's undying devotion to Top Ten lists, I thought it might be nice to incorporate one in this week's Sports section. This list is strictly a matter of personal opinion and those who disagree with any of my picks or feel you could do a better job, please feel free to email your list to me and I'll make sure it gets into the Sports section next week. The list is composed of my picks for the best players currently in the NBA. The list is in order, number one being the best.

NBA's Ten Best

10. Ray Allen
9. Jermaine O'Neal
8. Pedrag Stojakovic
7. Jason Kidd
6. Tim Duncan
5. Shaquille O'Neal
4. Allen Iverson
3. Kevin Garnett
2. Kobe Bryant
1. Tracy McGrady



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Phil Mickelson won the masters on Sunday. It was his first major tournament victory

TIM JESTER
MANAGING EDITOR

Phil Mickelson, after a 0-42 major tournament stretch, finally took the green jacket at the Masters in Augusta Georgia Sunday afternoon. Under skies that looked as if they were about to pour, Mickelson birdied on the 18th hole in the third round to become only the

second lefty to win at Augusta.

Mickelson also holds the distinction of being only the fourth golfer in the history of the Master's to birdie on the 18th for the tournament win. During the third and final round, the back nine was a heat between Els and Mickelson. Mickelson came out on top shooting a 31 on the back and a 69 for the round.

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the campus Chatter

Week of: April 15-22

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THURSDAY, APRIL 15

11:00 a.m. Convocation
wards (Iles)

7:00 p.m. In Tents
Meetings—Melissa Taylor
Tent behind Mens'
Residence Hall

•Income Tax Return due
•Faculty Fall Textbook
Order due, Campus Shop

•Birthdays: Jody Porawski,
Kelly Elliott, Dolly Porawski,
Suzanne Trude, Ryan Van
Namen, Keith Wakefield,
Desta Zabolotney, Jucinta
Rome, Mindi Walters

•MCAT Exam, Student
Center

•PRAXIS Exams, Student
Center

•Birthdays: Roger
Aasheim, Jeremy Chinn,
Gina Dickinson, Guillermo
Flores, Lisa Sannes, Nathao
Thiry, Douglas Warner

•Saturday, April 17, is the
date for our annual
"Wheelchair Basketball"
game. The Siskin
Rebounders will be here once
again to challenge us in an
awesome game of basketball
on wheels. Last year's event
was a huge success and every-
one had a wonderful time.
If you would like to partici-
pate, please contact Dr. Hollis
James at ext. 2577.

•Computer Fix-It Day
Sunday, April 18, 1:00 - 5:00
p.m. (Hickman Science Center
Atrium): Bring your computer,
and the Computer Club will
help you fix it! Be sure to
bring all relevant software and
backup all crucial data, but
leave monitors, keyboards and
mice at home.

•ACT EXAM - Friday, April
23. This is the last exam of
the school year. Call the
Counseling & Testing Center
at 2782 to sign up.

•National Administrative
Professionals Day

•Birthdays: Eun-Ji Bang,
Eric Henton, T.J. Imier,
Mandy Phillips, Holly
Walker

•Thursday, April 22
11:00 a.m.
Convocation—Earth Day
(Iles)

•Earth Day
•Origins Weekend (22-24)
•Last day to request pro-
tectoring of final exam(s),
Center for Learning Success

•Birthdays: Jill
Hardesty, Rodney Jackson,
Adriana Lopez-Escalante,
Sudbir Perakathu, Sonya
Reaves, Debbie Stack, Ruth
Williams/Morris.

•Friday, April 16
8:00 p.m. Vespers -
In Tents Meetings—Daniel
Komenov 8:14 p.m. Sunset

•Payday
•Withdrawals after today
receive "P"

•Birthdays: Mike
Bushey, Deanna Harris,
Tracy Hutton, Jeremy Malin,
Shannon McArdor, Jonathan
Marun, Martine Roy, Rachel
Balliwell, Rick Swistek,
Kaela Tuel, Sarah Walker

•Saturday, April 17
9:00 a.m. Collegedale
Church Service - Ed Wright

10:00 a.m. The Third -
Mike Fulbright (Iles)

9:45 a.m. In Tents
Meeting - Sabbath School

10:00 a.m. "Another
Sabbath School" (Thatcher
South Activity Room)

11:30 a.m. Collegedale
Church Service - Ed Wright

1:50 a.m. In Tents
Meetings - Church

2:45 p.m. Shut-in
Ministries (Meet in front of
Right Hall)

7:30 p.m. Evensong
(Church)

9:00 p.m. 2nd Annual
Wheelchair Basketball
Game: Siskin Rebounders
vs. Southern (Iles)

•Birthdays: Dana Boyd,
Debbie Edwards, TJ Forbes,
David Gordon, Aubrey
Gervance, Benjamin
Munuya, Leo Van Dolson

•Sunday, April 18
1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Computer Fix-It Day
Hickman Science Center
(Atrium)

7:30 p.m. Wind
Symphony Concert -
Convocation Credit (Church)

•Monday, April 19
8:30 a.m. Board of
Trustees Meeting (White Oak
Room)

3:30 p.m. Academic
Affairs

•PRAXIS Exams, Student
Center

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Psychic for president

BRYAN STITZER
Humor Editor

In light of all the hub-bub over the trials to see if someone somewhere might have thought that someone somewhere else could have perhaps thought that some guy with a catheter and a turban might have had someone else use moving utensils to crash four planes into United States, new planes is scheduled for the next few weeks.

We are now holding a commission to see if it would not have been advantageous for the United States to have moved in and arrested Hitler before he came to power. Due to the egregious atrocities he caused, we think that someone dropped the ball.

There are also some people calling for a lawsuit against the law enforcement agencies that apprehended Jeffrey Dahmer. It has come to our attention that if Dahmer had been arrested sooner, all those people wouldn't have died. When asked, officers involved in the arrest of Jeffrey Dahmer said that they did not use an Ouija board. Such shoddy police work needs to be punished.

Truly, if only those in power had acted sooner, most tragedies

we have had could have been prevented. When interviewed, one random former counter-intelligence advisor with lots to gain from negative statements said, "I done seen that 'Minority Report' film so I know we got the technologically so's I don't know why we don't stop these guys before they did the bad things... um and I hear that Richard Clarke has a good book on this stuff."

If you ask this reporter, truer and less grammatical words were never spoken. However some people seem to think that there was no way for us to have known that these events would occur.

When asked one college student said, "Yeah, those are all truly terrible things, and my heart goes out to the victims, but there was no way we could have known." If you ask this reporter, this student is obviously un-American and should probably be incarcerated because I have a feeling he will do something bad... um, tomorrow or sometime like that.

In conclusion, punishing some people for their inaction on 9/10 doesn't make up for the actions of others on 9/11. Miss Cleo for president!

Top Ten things you don't want to hear the guy next to you on the plane say

1. Oh man, they confiscated my deodorant.
2. I can make nine different types of explosives from peanuts and flat Sprite.
3. I think Bush should be president because...
4. I think Kerry should be president because...
5. Does that guy behind us with the AK-47 look like a U.S. marshal to you?
6. Um... I think you're in my seats.
7. I'm leaving on a jet plane, don't know when I'll be back again...
8. Oh man, they got all my Swedish fish.
9. Dude, I'm wasted, what a party... It was my brother's birthday yesterday. Wave hi to him, he's the mechanic for this airline. That's him down there working on the engine.
10. And the number one thing that just might ruin your trip is:
 1. "Um, this one time, at terrorist training camp..."

INSIGHTFUL INSIGHTS

By Jon Palmer
Whenever I see Donald Rumsfeld's squinty face on TV I feel safe.

Advice Dude

ADVICE DUDE
BIG KAHUNA

Dear Advice Dude,
I am scared, I think the terrorists are out to get me. I am an American and I like apple pie, baseball and making piles and piles of money. From what I hear, there are people who get their jollies by blowing people like that up. I am freaked. I don't know what to do.

I see on the news these people dancing in the street whenever Americans die. I mean, I have to admit I did get a certain sadistic pleasure when I heard that a mosque that was teaching a bomb making class was destroyed due to an inept student, but as a whole I don't want to see anyone of any religion or ethnicity hurt... you know, unless it's backyard wrestling

five cause that is going to be awesome! But I digress.

I also don't quite get the colors I keep hearing about on the news. I slept in the day they announced what all the colors mean, so I'm a little lost. Can you help me feel safe, Advice Dude?

A H H H H H H I t h e American

Dear AHHHHHHH!
Whoa, bro! This sounds like a mondo problem. This is an agro problem even for The Dude. But I the Great Dude will give it my best to eighty-six your worries, bro.

First I will explain the gnarly color code. Okay, they don't mean squat. The government made up the colors to make it sound like they are axing the problem, but the fact is, an attack is just as likely during a fuchsia alert as magenta. Don't be a gnommet and think this means The Bush and his boys ain't watchin' our backs. 'Cuz they are, ace.

The Bush team has hemmed more hiddle terrorist benies than we even want to know about. But the fact is there are a lot of the little squids, so we still got to watch out.

Anyway, due to the limited syndication of my column The guessing you're from Collegedale. You got no worries yo. I would like to meet the terrorist sponger that thinks an attack on Collegedale is a shibby idea.

So my advice to all these dudes and dudettes out there: give them terrorist makes the stink-eye, then grab a libation and some za and enjoy surfing in the radacular U.S. of freakin A. So says The Dude.

Side Note from The Dude: Hey boys and girls! I am here to say no matter how cool backyard wrestling looks on TV, don't do it. It is dangerous and you could be hurt. And remember, be cool and stay in school!

New ideas from Homeland security

BRYAN STITZER
Humor Editor

In Flint, Michigan, a group of children on an Easter egg hunt found two loaded handguns out side an elementary school. After the several embarrassing events of citizens sneaking everything from toenail clippers to Edward Scissorhands PEZ dispensers onto planes, this news story gave Attorney General John Ashcroft an idea. He unveiled his plan last night from the

White House.

"We have placed children in all major U.S. airports and told them there is candy hidden in the bags of passengers."

Amazingly, within three hours of implementation of this plan, the children have recovered twenty-two handguns, thirty-three knives, five John Tesh CDs, and no less than 500 Swedish fish.

When asked about the experience, one child said, "I don't understand why people have

those Swedish fish; they look like gummies, they're nasty, I mean, it's gross."

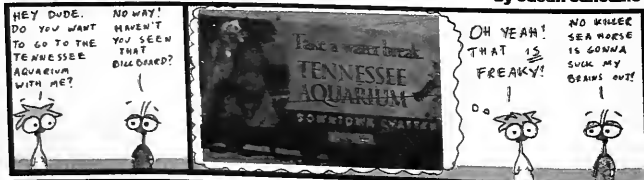
Oddly, he said all this with his index finger jammed securely up his nose. Upon the rousing success of this endeavor, we may be seeing children working security at more places soon. Plans are already in the works to have children searching cars at the borders, and possibly at schools. One parent had this to say: "Funny, all this time we were trying to protect our chil-

dren, and now we find the way to protect them best is to have them protect themselves."

Not everyone is praising this plan, however. Dentists have said that this plan has a major flaw. A dentist who wishes to remain aimless had this to say: "What they aren't saying is they are letting these kids keep whatever candy they find. This could lead to a major tooth decay and... um I take it back, I am all for the Attorney General's new plan"

DUMB DUCKS

by Justin Janetcko



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Is safety an issue for archeology excavation in Israel?

ALEISHA WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

Safety issues are a factor for the archeology dig to Hazor Excavation in Israel this summer.

The six-week trip is set for June 2004 thru August 4, 2004.

Hazor is the largest Old Testament site in Israel. It is located in an isolated rural area in Northern Israel a few miles north of the Sea of Galilee. Students will be involved in a scientific research project, excavating a late bronze age Canaanite palace and the largest city of the Old Testament period, which dates back to the time of Joshua.

"The Institute of Archeology, Southern's administration and the Board of Trustees did not think the security risks were issues great enough to keep students from going into the field this summer. Students are traveling on their own initiative and assume personal responsibility as with every organized trip Southern offers," Michael Hasel, director of the Institute of Archeology, said.

Students have been advised not to travel alone or take public transportation since many of them have never been to Israel and would not be aware of the dangerous areas. As a safety precaution, during the week students will be working on a scientific project isolated from risky areas. On the weekend activities will be organized for the whole group, Hasel said.

Fifteen students, most of whom are archeology majors or minors, will attend the trip with Michael Hasel as the acting supervisor. Anyone with an interest for archeology or taking part in recovering biblical history is invited to go. There are no prerequisites for participating. Along with a getting great



Siskin Rebounder Jim Cecil, middle, looks for a shot window Saturday night as Wheelers teammates Ryan Heilman, right, and Rick Christman try to block his shot. More on Siskin Rebounders in Sports on page 6.

Strawberry Festival set for Sunday

ELI COUREY
Staff Writer

"On the morning of April 25 you are going to get out of bed, take a shower and do whatever else you do on an ordinary Sunday. That evening, when you go to bed, you will be a changed person with a new outlook on life." This is what Will Haynal, director of Strawberry Festival, says students will feel like after attending this year's show.

This year's Strawberry Festival will be held at Memorial Auditorium in downtown Chattanooga. The show will start at 8 p.m. and transportation will be provided for students who need a ride.

"Directions to Memorial Auditorium will be e-mailed to the students and available in the dorm lobbies," Haynal

said.

The show will feature live music, short films and pictures. More than 10,000 pictures have been taken by the Strawberry Festival photographers this school year, but not all of them will be in the show due to time constraints. The music will be performed by students and will consist of various styles and genres.

"This is one school event that no one should miss," said Jon-Michael Brown, music coordinator for Strawberry Festival. "The night will be full of surprises."

This will be the second year with all live music and the third year to use digital pictures.

"I like how Strawberry Festival is becoming more of a concert with pic-

tures and videos than a slide show with canned music and strawberries," said Nathan Huber, senior film production major.

The Strawberry Festival staff will arrive at Memorial Auditorium 12 hours before the show starts. In order to set up the screens, projectors, lights, sound and have a rehearsal of the entire show.

"Many days and nights have been spent working on this year's show," Haynal said. "I would like to thank everyone who helped."

The school's yearbook, Southern Memories, will be handed out after the show. "The yearbook has 16 opening pages of color instead of the usual three or four," Julie Hoover, Memories editor said. The yearbook is picture-themed, with lots of candid and less text."

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Tim Wakefield confounding the Yankees on Friday night. More on page 6.

"If truth were an ocean would it fit in the pool of a human mind?"

-James Carr

Israel

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hands on learning experience, Southern is giving students general credits as well as fulfilling archeology requirements. Excavation is a multifaceted undertaking that requires rigorous attention to detail and field methods. Students will be trained at the site

how to excavate properly, the techniques and methods of excavation, and recording the material they find, said Hasel.

"I've always dreamed to go on an archeology dig and it would be so exciting to un-dig something someone created years ago without technology. I'm not really afraid for my safety either. I'm a little nervous. My parents are scared. But, if I'm going to die, I'd rather die doing something I love. I'm not worried, if it's my time, then so be it," said Nichole Perkins, freshman archeology major with emphasis

in near eastern and classical studies.

The trip costs \$3,515.00, which includes costs for airfare and tuition for six weeks.

There have been rumors floating that the trip to Israel was cancelled last summer due to security issues. The Board of Trustees voted to have an excavation at Hazor two years ago. The excavation to Israel was never denied. It was simply put on hold because it was so close to Iraq. They decided to excavate in Cyprus instead, said Hasel.

"I'm not concerned [about safety]. We'll be in a pretty safe place. Anything could happen," said Cecilia Luck, junior near eastern archeology major.

Bridgett Di Memmo, employee for the School of Religion said, "There's always been trouble there [Israel], but maybe it's a little more escalated now. I'd go depending on how safe the area was."

Origin seminars flood campus

KIMBERLEA SMITH
STAFF WRITER

The biology department invites all who are interested to attend Origin Seminars April 21-23 in Ackerman Auditorium. According to Dr. David Ekkens, organizer of the event, this conference is designed as a working conference to discuss the flood as a major force in the origin of the geological column.

Speakers for the event have been brought from all over the country. Joho Baumgardner is from Los Alamos National Laboratory in Albuquerque, N.M. Andrew Snellio is from Australia and is working with the Institute of Creation Research, which is based in Santee, Calif. Kurt Wise is a professor of geology at Bryan

College in Dayton, Tenn. Art Chadwick is the chair of biology at Southwestern Adventist University in Texas. Leonard Brand is a biology professor at Loma Linda University, Calif. Elaine Kennedy is a geologist who works for GeoScience Research Institute in Loma Linda, Calif.

The seminars are scheduled every two years. These meetings are created so that those who are interested in science or have an interest in related topics can hear and gather new information.

This year they are structured to be scientific meetings in which the presenters will talk about the topic while the audience listens to the discussions. Although there will be no audience participation during the seminars them-

selves, there will be time on Friday at 7 p.m. for questions and answers.

According to Ben McArthur, history department chair, Origin weekend was first created back in the early 1990s when the Southern Scholars honors program picked the topic of origins as its theme. The biology department liked the idea and created its own event, which has been carried on ever since.

This is a free event and is open to students as well as to the public. Dr. Ekkens has mentioned that his class will be attending these meetings. Festivities will begin Wednesday at 6 p.m. in the Presidential Banquet room.

United Nations diplomats discuss clean water for third-world countries

KELLY RAZZOUK
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

Walk through any grocery store in America and you will be surrounded by shelves filled with the liquid that cleans everything but cannot purify itself: water.

Bottled water now comes in a variety of shapes, sizes and colors. Water in this country is not just a life-saving liquid, but a fashion statement. Models tote their fancy Evian bottles and celebrity Donald Trump is cashing in with his new brand of water, Trump Ice.

With so many options available to quench our thirst, most of us have never gone thirsty for more than a few moments, but throughout the world more than

1.4 billion people lack access to safe water and 6,000 children die every day from diseases associated with lack of access to safe drinking water, inadequate sanitation and poor hygiene.

At the United Nations Headquarters in New York, diplomats from several countries, including His Royal Highness the Prince of Orange from the Netherlands and a distinguished diplomat from the Mission of Honduras, gathered to discuss many issues including water during the opening of the 12th meeting of the Commission on Sustainable Development.

Executive Director of UN Habitat, Mrs. Anna Tibajuka, stated that 2 million children die needlessly every year because of lack of water or poor water qual-

ity. The UN predicts that in 20 years one-third of the world's population will live under moderate to severe water shortage.

Improving the water situation will help to improve the quality of life for many girls in countries like Africa. "Millions of girl children are forced to trade education for collecting water," Tibajuka said. In countries where clean water is only found by traveling far from where homes are located, young girls are often called upon to make the long trips. Some spend eight or more hours per day retrieving water for their families.

The Prince of Orange challenged countries to meet the objectives agreed to in the UN Millennium Development Goals.

"To meet the target, 1.6 billion people should be provided with access to drinking water by 2015," he stated. The UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs estimates that achieving this goal will cost over \$30 billion.

In order for this hope to become a reality, governments and civil society must apply strategies to improve water sanitation around the world. Training farmers in water management, implementing policies to guide agricultural water use and seeking new sources of investment in the water sector are all strategies the UN would like to see employed.

In the 15 seconds it takes most of us to drink a glass of

water, another child dies from diarrhea caused largely by poor sanitation and lack of water supply. Ensuring that future generations have access to clean water is the responsibility of all countries.

People throughout the world are focused on the UN and the CSD meetings this week. Agreements reached here could mean the difference between life and death for many. "By taking the lead together, you can bring hope to the world's people that future generations will indeed have quality of life and equal opportunities," the Prince of Orange said.

"No water, no future."

Taskforce, more than just a task

SARA BANDEL
STAFF WRITER

During the next school year, 15 Southern students will go throughout the country and serve as Taskforce workers.

"God didn't give me any other option," Elizabeth Blackerby, mass communications-public relations major said.

Elizabeth feels that she is supposed to serve God at Mdo Adventist Academy in Oregon.

She will serve as an assistant dean for 75 female residents.

Others who have served as Taskforce workers did so because of a positive high school experience.

"I loved my years in academy, and I love working with youth, so this gave me a chance to serve in an area I feel passionate about," Danielle Mullenbeck, a non-profit major said.

Although there are only 15

students signed up to be Taskforce workers this year, there are usually about 20 students who are willing to spend a year in service, Joy Brown, student missions coordinator for the Chaplain's office said.

There are requirements for becoming a Taskforce worker. First, the student must attend a class that meets every Tuesday night and covers issues such as how to deal with students who have depression or suicidal feelings, as well as how to give worship talks. The student must also have a 2.0 grade point average and preferably be a sophomore.

However, the requirements for Taskforce workers are not as rigorous as for students that become Student Missionaries, Brown said.

Although it doesn't happen very often, we "will turn someone down if they don't meet the standards," Brown said.

There is an array of jobs of which a Taskforce worker can be a part.

"Taskforce Mission sites involve a variety of ministry opportunities, including service as a local church assistant pastor, academy assistant dean or teacher, conference assistant for a departmental director or a host of other institutional ministry callings," according to the hesaaidgo.net website.

The average time for each assignment is from ten months to a year.

This kind of service is not for everyone, but for most students it is very rewarding.

"I feel as if being an assistant dean has helped me grow up and become more responsible. Now that I am back at school, I see things not only from a student perspective, but also from a faculty level as well," Mullenbeck said.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

Try the enormous Gollywhoper

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LIFESTYLES EDITOR

There was a time in my life when I would not go to family-owned restaurants because I just felt that they would not meet my standards of what quality food should be.

But after visiting GollyWhoppers Sandwich Shoppe, I was surely proven wrong. GollyWhoppers, located on East Brainerd Road in the most remote plaza I have ever seen, is by far the best sandwich shop I have ever been to.

If I were to describe this restaurant, it would be most comparable to Subway or Blimpies, but better. On the menu, a list of subs, salads and soups waits for your picking. You even have the choice of having your sandwich with a soda and a bag of chips as a value meal. Once you order, you sit down and wait for the

waiters or waitresses to bring you your sandwich.

If I were to describe their sandwiches in one word it would be: enormous! The sandwich is a traditional six-inch size but the bulk of vegetables and other ingredients that are included in that sandwich make it 10 times bigger than any other sandwich I have ever had. And I cannot emphasize enough, that those sandwiches are huge! I could barely bite into them, they were so big.

Another wonderful part of this restaurant is the Christian music playing in the background which made me feel so at home. This restaurant is not open on the weekends, so if you want to stop by, drop in during the late afternoon or early lunch so you can beat the lunch traffic. While I was there, it was rather packed and it made me wonder why I had not been there before because it seemed

to be so popular.

Everyone who works there treats you like they have known you forever. As I was sitting down eating my lunch, an elderly gentleman came into the shop and started to sing about seeing his King again. After it was over, everyone started to clap and cheer for him. One of the workers told me that he usually comes in every Friday and sings a different tune every time. I kept thinking, "Man, when does that ever happen in any normal place you eat?" That instance made me feel even better about the kind of place that I was eating at.

If you are kind of tired of having the typical Subway or Blimpies sandwich, go for something new at GollyWhoppers Sandwich Shoppe. It is sure to satisfy your stomach. For more information, call 855-2001.



Mrs. Ball recognizes Eric Ewing as a graduating senior with American Humanities certification, during Wednesday night's American Humanities Banquet, downtown Chattanooga at the Reed House.

Help available for depression sufferers

OLIVE HANDYSIDES
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

According to a study done by the National Mental Health Association, depression affects 17 million Americans from all different walks of life.

Depression is prominent across the board, affecting anyone of any race, gender and age. The good news comes with research that allows this disorder to be treated. With the proper medication or therapy, people who suffer with depression can lead healthy, productive lives.

California State University Sacramento did a statistical study on the killers of college students in 1998. The study found that suicide was the eighth leading cause of death for all Americans, the third leading cause of death for those aged 15-24, and the second leading killer in the college population. The number one killer of Americans between the ages of 17-24 is drinking and driving.

Depression can impact a person's life in many different ways. Not everyone experiences depression the same way. Some people may have behavioral changes, while others experience physical changes.

These changes can include an increased use of alcohol or drugs, trouble with eating, withdrawing from friends and/or social activities, sadness or anxiety, feelings of guilt or anger and a loss of interest in work, school and hobbies.

Depression not only affects the person suffering; it can also have an impact on relationships. Early intervention and noticing the warning signs in a friend or loved one could help in restoring their quality of life and possibly preventing suicide. The National Mental Health Association gives suggestions in helping a friend or loved one:

- Be honest and express your concerns. For example, "You seem really down lately; is something bothering you?"

- Ask directly about thoughts of suicide. For example, "Have you thought of hurting yourself?" If suicidal thoughts are expressed, it is important to contact the university counseling center, student health center or the local mental health association.

- Listen and offer emotional support, understanding and

patience.

- Convey the message that depression is real, common and treatable. Suicidal feelings are real and preventable.

- Offer to accompany your friend to see a counselor.

Southern's counseling department often defers students to Valley Hospital's "RESPOND" program, which works with Southern in getting the proper help for students who suffer with depression.

Depending on the degree of depression, we refer out for further testing and counseling," said Mrs. Suzie Evens, who works in the counseling and testing department.

When students initially go to the department a self-assessment is done and if there is an indication of depression, Midge Dunzwiler assesses the student and takes immediate action.

"Under the psychologist's care I can then monitor their condition and provide feedback which then could help in their treatment," said Midge Dunzwiler, assistant director of counseling and testing.

The Counseling and Testing department can help with situ-

ational depression, "but with 2,500 students, many are being referred out," said Dunzwiler.

When asked about the statistics on students affected by depression on this campus Dunzwiler responded: "We're not able to discuss those types of statistics, those are confidential."

Students, don't feel alone. Resources are available on line and by contacting confidential hotlines.

For more information about the National Mental Health Association's (NMHA) College Student and Depression Initiative, contact:

College Student and Depression Initiative
The National Mental Health Association (NMHA)
2001 N. Beauregard Street,
12th Floor
Alexandria, VA 22311
1-800-969-6642
TTY: (800) 433-5959
www.nmha.org

Help is only a phone call away

If you, a family member or a friend is in need of help, please contact Southern Adventist University's health and/or counseling service. To the counseling office contact Midge Dunzwiler, her number is 423-238-2782.

Pastor Ken Rogers (423-238-2787) is our campus chaplain. He is available for pastoral counseling when you need spiritual direction and nurturing.

The following organizations may also help to provide additional information about depression and suicide.

- National Mental Health Association
1-800-989-6642 or www.nmha.org

- National Institute of Mental Health
1-800-421-4211 or www.nimh.nih.gov

If you or someone you know is contemplating suicide, call 1-800-SUICIDE (1-800-784-2433) or www.hopeline.com.

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RELIGION

Editor's corner

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RELIGION EDITOR

Late one dark evening, a young man slowly walked through the streets of Hamburg, Germany. The events of the 1930s had swept this young man up in despair. He was fortunate enough to still be alive, yet despair and gloom were his only companions. The next day this young man, Dr. Herbert Gezork, was to be exiled from his country, a victim of Hitler's rise to power.

He kept asking, of God perhaps if He was listening, "What hope is there in a world where demonic forces are triumphing?"

Passing a church, Herbert was drawn inside by the sound of a well-known hymn. The words of the hymn, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God," came to mind. "And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us." These words touched Herbert's soul and gradually peace became his companion, banishing despair and gloom.

Many years earlier, two men slowly trudged along a dusty dirt road. They were accompanied only by despair and gloom. Just a few days earlier they had been shouting words of praise and adoration, but now they shared with each other words of discouragement and disappointment. They had been in Jerusalem for the Passover and they had been bitterly disappointed when Jesus, the One in whom they had placed their faith and hope, had been condemned and brutally executed. These two men—the Bible indi-

cates that one of them was named Cleopas—were not the greatest of Jesus' followers. We almost get the impression that they were not even the most faithful of Jesus' followers—they were leaving Jerusalem burdened with doubt instead of remaining in the city with expectant hope. Cleopas and his friend were not the most respected and trusted of Jesus' followers—when they returned to Jerusalem with good news, the disciples were slow to believe them. Their story, often referred to as the "Road to Emmaus" story, is recorded in Luke 24 and Mark 16.

These two men were not, however, alone for long. Jesus soon joined them and, although they did not recognize Him, He brought a ray of hope to their troubled souls. Jesus could have visited the disciples in the upper room, His mother, or a host of other people who were close to Him. Why did Jesus choose to walk along a dusty path with two doubting, disheartened, walking-away disciples? The answer to this question gives us an encouraging insight into the way God relates to discouraged Christians.

Jesus chose to appear to these two men because they were discouraged and because they were walking away. Just as the good shepherd left the 99 sheep to go in search of the one who had wandered away, Jesus appeared to two discouraged, disheartened and walking-away men. Jesus does the same today. He walks with the discouraged, searches for the wanderer, and brings hope to the hopeless. The character of God leaves Him no alternative.

ANN covers Southern film

ANSEL OLIVER & SEAN REED
RELIGION EDITOR

The Adventist News Network (ANN) is a news service of the General Conference that serves to keep Adventist institutions, publications and church members up-to-date on relevant church news. The Accent subscribes to ANN and we frequently publish articles from ANN. Recently, ANN briefly highlighted "Angel in Chains." This film was produced by Southern's School of Visual Art and Design. Below is the short highlight from ANN:

"Angel in Chains," a film based on a true story and produced by Southern Adventist University's School of Visual Art and Design in Collegedale, Tennessee, is now being distributed on DVD and VHS by Pacific Press in Adventist Book Centers throughout the United States. The movie was filmed on location in Arizona with a crew of 40 students and instructors, and is the first film produced by an Adventist educational institution to receive national distribution.

KASANDRA RODRIGUEZ
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR

It was Thursday morning, Community Service Day. After eating breakfast and having worship, we quickly went to work setting up the booths for SonRise. I was assigned to do was to make and carry wooden beams (to set up tents) over to the area of the Thatcher South parking lot. That is where I first had a reflection thought and shared it with my fellow volunteers. As I was working with the wood, it occurred to me that this was very similar to what Jesus must have been doing before he started his ministry—working with wood as a carpenter (granted, Jesus did not have power drills).

Another reflection came when we had to carry those mounted posts over to Thatcher South. I stretched one across my back and it was very heavy! From the parking

area of the cafeteria I had to make it all the way to the Thatcher South main door! The thought occurred to me that Jesus had to carry a beam of wood probably heavier and not as "sanded" down as the one I had, and He had to carry it over a distance probably more than 20 times my distance. I am glad I can give all my burdens to Him!

Then came SonRise day. I played the part of a believer at the Crucifixion scene and picked Martha to be my character. We were told to stay in character throughout the whole day as much as possible. On one occasion some of my friends had seen me and were trying to say "hi." I kept my focus on Jesus; they finally realized that I had to be in character. I said "hi" to them later, but it just made me realize that no matter what, my focus should always be on Him.

Other times when I acted alone or with my brother "Lazarus" or with a friend "Timothy," I tried emphasizing to the audience that Jesus was dead, only to have them go into the Resurrection scene and find out that He had not stayed dead. I realized through my work with them and everyone at SonRise that we all had the goal of sharing Jesus with people and I believe that should be our goal not only SonRise day, but every day we breathe.

I remember Timothy's main line in the play was "We have to have faith and remember His promise to rise again in three days." I say to you now as well, we also need to have faith because He is coming again soon, and God is "not slack concerning His promises." I hope everyone got a blessing from SonRise, and hopefully we will never forget what He has done for us: He gave up His life to give us life. God

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The Religion Section of the Southern Accent is looking for **testimonies**, missionary **experiences**, spiritual **triumphs** and **struggles**, stories of answered **prayer**, and **ministry** profiles. Interested in sharing yours?

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT

OPINION

Thumbs-up Thumbs-down By Justin Koblyka



Thumbs up to the upcoming Fine Arts Festival that will be held

on Saturday night in Brock hall and Ackerman auditorium. This is a great idea because it lets students showcase their hard work and it is always nice to see Southern emphasizing the arts.

Thumbs down to professors who are planning tests for "dead week" (the week before finals week) this last week of relative serenity is very important to success during finals. Submitted by Joy Grabiner.



A big thumbs up to the color splash across the

Accent last week. It was a welcome addition and it will be hard to go back to the black and white... donations, anyone?

Thumbs down to the sloppy parking on this campus.



This time I'm talking about the sloppy parkers. The lines may be faded, but they are still there for a reason, try to park between them once and a while. Maybe this will cut down on the door ding mafia that is cruising the Talge lot at night. Idea contributed by David Kukich

Editors corner

JUSTIN KOBLYKA
OPINION EDITOR

In only about a week and a half the school year will be over. For the seniors, school will be over. That must be a great feeling...

I was recently reflecting on the huge pile of responsibilities and activities that I have piled on myself as of late. When one portion of life ends another begins (i.e. school turn into summer break,) things tend to bottleneck. The things that I have put off or

neglected for the past couple of months are now starting to shove back when I try to bury them with the "present."

Last week, in a moment of duress, I made a comment to my roommate that if I only had all the time in the world, then I could be relaxed and carefree. He pointed out that in fact I do have all the time in the world. There is no time in this world that I do not have and nobody has any more time than I do. Although simplistic this fact means one

thing: the only difference between all the busy people in this world is how they choose to use their time allotment.

So use your time wisely these last couple weeks. No matter what you do between now and then, it will still end in the exact same time. I will be working to make these last couple weeks something I can be proud of - kind of like the last sprint before the finish line. It makes a huge difference.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Rennie Williams' April 15 article "Students question police action," provides the account of only one student. Since when did one student become plural? While it is quite possible and reasonable to expect that more students would be willing to confirm her statement, it is unreasonable and frankly completely childish for them to start complaining of such action.

Who cares if a police officer is pointing a gun at you! Come on, as long as they don't shoot me on accident, they can point their gun at me the whole time in order to protect the lives of myself and other students and faculty.

I wouldn't even mind me if they come in with a mock drill so they can get some practice. Heck, have the safety off as long as a bullet doesn't hit me. We are not elementary or junior high-level students who will be severely traumatized by seeing a gun pointing at us; it's not even at gunpoint.

This attitude of "leave me alone under any circumstance that I want," brings grave consequences: law enforcement can't adequately do their job, then we complain because they do not prevent what happens. We criticize them for failing to take action when tragedies occur. Well hello, we've tied their hands

up.

I for one, am glad to know that if a student comes with a gun to class that the Collegedale police will come in aggressively and not be afraid to show their firepower. If I ever think of showing up with a gun anywhere, I'll go back to San Francisco. Many thanks to the Collegedale Police for not playing roles of engagement games. Oh, and if they didn't point the guns as they say, they should have if there was belief of danger to any person.

-David Salazar, junior,
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The Third Option

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In response to my recent articles looking at the candidates for this fall's Presidential election, I received an e-mail suggesting that perhaps there was another option after all. The writer stated that my views would be well-matched by one of the more well-known third parties - the Libertarians. I'm not sure that I would indeed fully agree with the Libertarian Party's platform, but this suggestion brings up a question. What role is played by third parties such as the Libertarians, the Green Party, or independents like Ross Perot, in our political system?

Looking back through our nation's history, we find that from the earliest days, our political system was dominated by two parties. In fact, there have only been three cases where a President was not elected from one of two major parties. First elected in 1789, George Washington refused to join a party. James Monroe was elected unopposed in 1820. Lastly, John Quincy Adams won an unusual four-man race in 1824. That's not to say third parties haven't tried, however. Well-known more recent historical third-party candidates include Theodore Roosevelt, who successfully led for a third term; Strom Thurmond, who carried several Southern states in the election of 1948, and then was elected to the Senate as a write-in candidate; and of course Ross Perot and Ralph Nader, who have been accused in recent years of throwing elections to Republicans. At first glance, it seems from this history that third parties have been generally unsuccessful. Indeed, the majority of them have failed miserably. But there are a few cases where third parties have had success. Rather than wasting all their energies on Presidential candidates with no chance of winning, a few third parties have worked together with the two major parties to point out what they believe needs reform.

One of the most successful third parties was the Populist Party of the 1890's of which, although it never won a Presidential election, succeeded in infiltrating the once-conservative Democratic Party and pulling it to a much more liberal position - an effect that lingers even today. Another area where third parties have had more success is in state and local governments, where it is a little easier to gain widespread support.

To summarize, third parties have had varying levels of success within our nation's political system. If you find a third party that you strongly agree with, and feel that it is truly making a positive difference in our nation, then I would encourage you to support it. Just make sure you're not throwing your vote away, or helping throw an election to a candidate you disagree with.

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SPORTS

NBA Top TEN

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1. Garnett
2. McGrady
3. Iverson
4. Bryant
5. Duncan
6. Stojakovic
7. Kidd
8. LeBron James
9. Pau Gasol
10. Shaq O'Neal

Alumni strive to stay connected to Southern through intramurals

JIM MYERS
ALUMNI CONTRIBUTOR

My name is Jim Myers, and I graduated with my associate's degree from SAU in 1998. This past intramural basketball Season I had planned on playing basketball with three good friends who currently go to Southern.

In early December I was under the impression that Dr. Pangman would allow alumni to play at Southern. The intramural basketball registration form gave no indication that Southern Adventist University Alumni could not be eligible for the upcoming season.

I was really excited to be on the team. Our team had even ordered custom jerseys and begun practicing. In order to make the games, I adjusted my work schedule before Christmas for the months of

January and February. I couldn't wait to be competing in IM basketball alongside my good friends that season.

However, two nights before our opening game, I was told that the intramural basketball sign-up form had changed. Worried and very disappointed, I talked with Dr. Pangman. He admitted that he had made an error on the original sign-up, but there was nothing he could do. I was encouraged to fill out a petition form, because of the time, money and work arrangements I had made in order to play. Unfortunately, Dr. Garver and the P.E. department denied my petition.

I was disappointed with the way this situation was handled. A lot of planning, time, and effort had gone into my arrangements to play bas-

kethall. Also, I forfeited pay by shortening my work schedule so I could play.

I believe Southern's decision is wrong. It is more than a basketball issue; it is a moral issue. For example if a store misprints an advertisement for a sale and you show them that ad, they will honor that sale as long as you know that you can't get that sale the next time. That is what Southern should have done to the five or so alumni that were expected to play this past intramural basketball season.

The irony of it is that players in other of Southern's intramural sports (like football and softball) play ineligible every year. This year for example, a quarterback for one of the IM football teams was ineligible all season, and current hockey players are playing illegally right now.

This particular quarterback's situation was brought to Dr. Pagman's attention twice, and he still played the entire season.

Had I not said anything, I could have played intramural basketball and probably gotten away with it, but instead I tried to do the right thing. Although I went about things the right way and still was denied, I believe that there is something positive that can come from this.

It is important to keep alumni connected to the university. I look at all the changes that have transpired since I graduated and I think that it would be a positive change for everyone connected to Southern, especially current and future alumni, if Southern allowed alumni to play intramurals (at a particular fee to cover expenses).

Injury plagued Sox take 3 of 4 from Yanks



Curt Schilling delivers a pitch during Saturday's game against the Yankees.

DON CANTRELL
CONTRIBUTOR SOX FAN

The first four of this season's 19 games between the American League eastern division rivals the Boston Red Sox (9-5) and the New York Yankees (8-7) were hosted at Fenway Park last Friday through Monday.

The Red Sox currently have five players on the disabled list, including all-star shortstop Nomar Garciaparra, right fielder Trot Nixon and starting pitcher

Byung Hyun Kim. However, a key strength of this year's Red Sox team is its incredible depth. They have the ability to patch any injury related holes in the lineup with backups who are almost as good as the injured players they are filling in for.

With mediocre run production during the series, the Sox relied on superb pitching for wins. Curt Schilling and Tim Lincecum both pitched masterfully, allowing a combined three earned runs over 13 1/3 innings.

Bronson Arroyo, filling Kim's spot in the starting rotation, was a little shaky, giving up 4 runs. Some timely hitting, an excellent performance from the bullpen and an error by Yankees outfielder Hideki Matsui got the 5-4 win for Boston; but the Yankees capitalized on a poor performance from Derek Lowe in game 3 to obtain their only win of the series.

Alex Rodriguez, the world's finest shortstop who happens to be playing third base this year, went 1-17 with 5 strikeouts and an error in the series. In spite of his \$22 million a year paycheck, Rodriguez is only batting .196 with three RBIs. Throughout the series, A-rod was compounding his problems and prolonging his slump by chasing bad pitches—exactly what Boston's pitchers wanted. During his last at bat of the series, A-rod was patient at the plate, waited for a good pitch and hit it into left field for a single. His early season slump aside, A-rod is an extremely talented hitter and is a sure bet to hit at least .300 this season.

Another Red Sox/Yankees series is scheduled for this weekend at Yankee Stadium. Derek Lowe pitches against Jose Contreras in game one.



Photo by Jacqui Seely

Lebron Young of the Siskin Rebounders catches a pass made by teammate Jim Cecil.

DON CANTRELL
NEWS EDITOR

Only two Siskin players competed in the match between the Siskin Rebounders and Southern Adventist University Saturday night. Southern's team was given a 30 point lead to begin the game, but was easily defeated.

The Rebounders amazed spectators with their seemingly effortless movement around the court and suprisingly accurate shooting.

Gordon Bietz, who played for Southern's team, was schooled many, many times by both members of the Rebounders.



the campus Chatter

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

General Announcements

Saturday, April 24, 9 a.m. Ackerman Auditorium will hold poetry and fiction writers' reading and musical compositions performed by their composers. Following that, Brock will display photography, film productions and fine arts on the first and second floors. Come enjoy the Fine Arts Festival 2004! **NATIONAL TEST SCHEDULE: PAXIS EXAMS**
Test Date: 6/14/04
Deadline date: 4/28/04
The deadline date is the date by which the testing company must receive the application. It is NOT a postmark date. Counseling & Testing has applications.

Clubs & Departments

Physics Seminar 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 29, 2003 from 113, Hickman Science Center, Southern Adventist University "Could Clusters, or Peculiar Intermediate Species between Atoms and Molecules, be Used as Building Blocks of New Materials?" Dr. A. I. Boldyrev, Department Chemistry and

Biochemistry, Utah State University, Logan, Utah Dr. Boldyrev's work has been highlighted seven times in C&E News, including three times in 2003 and once this year.

* This is a Club/Department /School Convocation and thus carries Convocation credit. It is, however, at 6:30 p.m. in case students wish to attend another meeting at 11:00 a.m.

English Club elections are coming up! All applications must be turned in by Monday, April 26. You do NOT have to be an English major to run! This is a great opportunity to get involved in cultural activities on and off campus. Contact Alexa Merickel at alexamerickel@hotmail.com for more information.

Student Association

Strawberry Festival will be held on Sunday, April 25th, at 8:00 p.m., at Memorial Auditorium in Chattanooga. Maps will be available in the SA office. Carpool with your friends. Need a ride? Limited transportation will be provided: Meet in front of Wright Hall before 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 22

11:00 a.m. Convocation - Earth Day (iles)
Earth Day
Origins Weekend (22-24)
Last day to request proctoring of final exam(s), Center for Learning Success
Birthdays: Jill Hardesty, Rodney Jackson, Adriana Lopez-Escalante, Sudhir Perakathu, Sonya Reeves, Debbie Stock, Ruth Williams Morris

FRIDAY, APRIL 23

8:00 p.m. Vespers - Choral/Symphony Orchestra Concert (Church)
Sunset
Birthdays: Ronda Huismen, Kelly Myers, Mike Neubrander, Andrew Prinsley, Blanca Rosales, KC Schneider, Josh Voigt, Kenny West, Helen Bledsoe, Dale Walters

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

9:00 a.m. Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
9:45 a.m. "Student Center Sabbath School" (Student Center)
10:00 a.m. The Third - Mike Fulbright
10:00 a.m. "Another Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
Choral/Symphony Orchestra Concert (Church)
8:00 p.m. Evensong (Church)
9:00 p.m. Fine Arts Festival (Ackerman)
Birthdays: Melissa Castillo, Tara Ericson, Phillip Hullquist, Jasmin Nolasco, Tiffany Tuell, Kenneth Victor, Mac Cathey, Marian Magoon, Lydia Rose, Mike Fulbright

SUNDAY, APRIL 25

6:30 p.m. Transportation Leaving for Festival (Wright Hall)
8:00 p.m. SA Strawberry Festival (Memorial Auditorium)
Birthdays: Jacki Souza, Michael Younklin, Shirley

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MONDAY, APRIL 26

4:00 p.m. University Assembly
Begin ordering Summer Graduation Announcements, Campus Shop,
www.shop.jostens.com
Birthdays: Brandon Castillo, Aldo Espinoza, Lathika Mohan, Mandy Umloof, Brent Wilson, Wayne Janzen, Diane Proffitt

TUESDAY, APRIL 27

12:100 p.m. Dean's Luncheon: Southern Scholars (Presidential Banquet Room)
Senior Recital: Tim Hunk, organ (Church, Convocation Credit)
Birthdays: Hannah Botticelli, Brandon Cain, Braxton Hagle, Gabriel Hernton, Shawn O'Garra, Diana Ramos, Christina Roberts, Tanya Cochran, Vanessa Keeper, Dana Krause

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28

7:30 p.m. Biology Expo (Hickman Atrium)
Senior Recital: Sung Hynn Kang, cello (Ackerman, Convocation Credit)
Birthdays: Lindsey Coy, Christy Latta, Amanda Meckel, Elizabeth Reid, Gary Wilkes

THURSDAY, APRIL 29

11:00 a.m. Convocation - Clubs/Departments/Schools (Various Locations)
General Recital (Ackerman, Convocation Credit)
Employee Retirement Party (Church Fellowship Hall)
Physics Seminar (Hickman, Room 113)
6:30 p.m. Bel Canto Spring Concert (Ackerman, Convocation Credit)
Last day to finalize paperwork for proctoring of final exam(s), Center for Learning Success
Birthdays: Nicole Dickerson, Tyler Dubs, Frankie Farkash, Kessia Lawson, Maria Lopez, Angela Marlin, Jenni Sagadruca, Karl Smith

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Armando Espinoza watches his children Nikole age 5, left, and Arzorai, 3, practice headstands Friday afternoon while other fowl swim by in the Duck Pond.

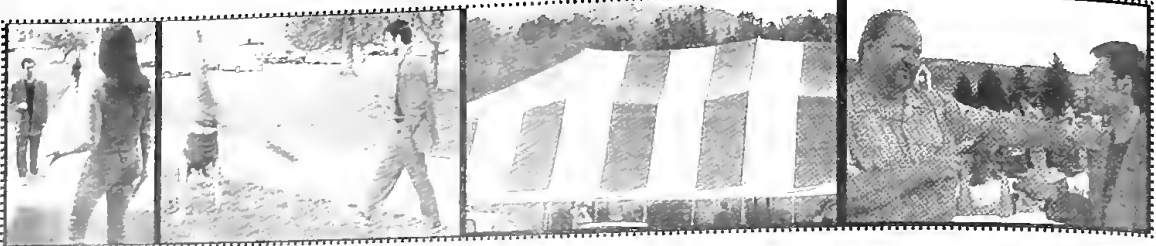
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After I held my contest on this very page, there was a lot of interest into what a date with me looks like. So I procured my self a vespers date and got an Accent photographer to tag along...



DUMB DUCKS

by Justin Janetzko



... well, that didn't go quite as well as I planned but I suppose it is a pretty accurate portrayal of a date with me. I hope that put all curiosities to rest. And I hope you all enjoyed my "Vespers Date Gone Horribly Wrong."

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Board vote confirms elimination of MSE program

DON CANTRELL
News Editor

In an almost unanimous decision, the Board of Trustees voted to eliminate the Master of Software Engineering program from Southern's curriculum.

Problems with the MSE program that led to its termination include monetary losses, unclear markets, SACS complications and international student recruiting problems," according to the Board of Trustees.

Two years ago, the floundering MSE program was given an evaluation period. Specific goals in enrollment and performance were supposed to have been met, but were not. The MSE program is the first graduate level program to be canceled since Southern started offering them in 1998.

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Greenway gets an Earth Day makeover

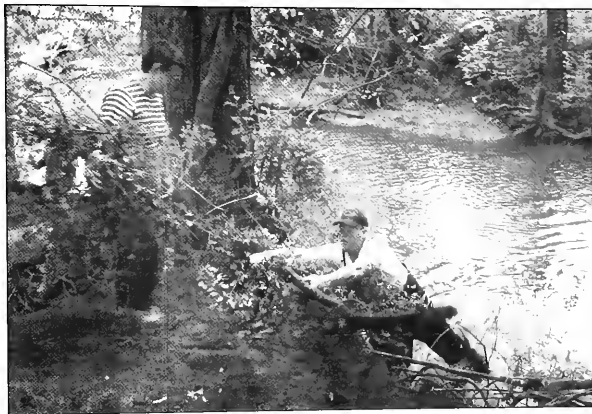


Photo by Jacqui Seelye

TVA employee Linda Harris catches debris from Charles Sholtz during the greenway cleanup Friday afternoon. story on pg. 2

Chamberlain joins Journalism School full time

AL HARDESTY
Staff Writer

A former newspaper reporter will join the School of Journalism & Communication faculty next fall. Laure Chamberlain taught as an adjunct professor both fall and winter semesters this year. Last week, the university board approved her full-time position.

"It's going to be a lot of fun to bring an additional writing focus into the department," Chamberlain said. "I want to connect students with what it's like to work in the real world."

Chamberlain covered the small cities last during her one-and-a-half year stint as staff writer at the Chattanooga Times

Free Press. Community residents may recognize her byline from the many Collegedale City Commission meetings she wrote about.

Communication dean Volker Henning says Chamberlain's classroom success is what sold the school on her qualifications.

"Her students have appreciated the way she has helped them succeed. She's been able to work with all students and help them reach their potential in writing."

Chamberlain says she's learned just as much as her students in her first year of teaching.

"It's been probably more than a learning experience for me than my students."

It's been challenging and made me better at my job as I figure out what makes it easier for my students to understand. Students teach teachers a lot."

Chamberlain graduated from Southern in 2000 and went on to receive her master's degree from the Newhouse School of Communication at Syracuse University in New York. She has worked for Chattanooga Magazine and spent two years as a reporter at the Chattanooga Times Free Press.

Currently, as the Communications, Marketing and Finance Director at Chattanooga Gyn-Oncology, she designs and writes all printed and web-based materials for the physician's group.



Photo contributed

New journalism professor Laure Chamberlain is a Southern grad and a former reporter with the Times Free Press

Photo by Melita Pope

Eduardo Kast, left, Leidy Rodriguez, and Kendy Martinez, right, thumb through "Southern Memories" after the "Strawberry Festival" Sunday night.



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Parting is such sweet sorrow.
-William Shakespeare

MSE

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Students enrolled in the program who are more than halfway done with their degree will be allowed to finish through a "teach out" program, which ends in 2005.

The School of Computing appealed the decision to close the MSE program however, this latest vote from the board is final.

"Current market conditions and SACS complications have thrown a monkey wrench into [the School of Computing's] plans, but this action will allow the school to focus on the strong undergraduate programs and work toward accreditation with ABET (Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology)," said one board member.

The Board states it wants to emphasize that this decision is in no way a negative reflection on the school of computing's reputation or quality of teaching.

Students, TVA repair Wolftever Creek bank

DON CANTRELL
NEWS EDITOR

The Tennessee Valley Authority teamed up with Southern students and Collegedale residents to repair a badly eroded section of bank along the Wolftever Creek.

Erosion has been taking a heavy toll on a stretch of the creek that runs through the Collegedale Greenway, behind Kyle Motors.

"We've been noticing higher than normal levels of erosion happening," said Linda Harris of the TVA. "Like all creeks, Wolftever is trying to change its path and meander."

Workers replaced soil that had been washed away and reestablished bank lines using a technique called "bio-gabion" repair. Large wire baskets are filled with rocks and placed where the eroded soil used to be. The area



Photo by Jacqui Seeley

Collegedale public works contractor Gary Mody, left, and Charles Sholtz place gabion baskets Friday afternoon to will hold rocks for preventing erosion.

around the rock-filled baskets is then covered with coconut fibers to provide a surface where plants can grow again.

The TVA put in many hours over the weekend not only repairing banks, but also planting vegetation around the Greenway.

"We worked for a total of 12 hours on Friday, doing restora-

tion. [On Sunday] we did a beautification project, using plants to make the area more attractive," Harris said. It's important to use native plant life whenever possible. Plant species that already grow in the Wolftever Creek area do well in that environment and their massive root systems tend to provide support to the soil around the bank.

The TVA's repair efforts appear to be successful. "The banks we repaired are very stable," Harris said. "We were able to repair some sections of bank where some trees were in danger."

The TVA does not currently have any additional repair projects planned for the Greenway, but hopes the repair techniques it taught workers could enable them to take on other bank restoration projects if needed.

Adventist GI dies in Iraq

ADVENTIST REVIEW

The Adventist Review has learned that Army Spec. Frank K. Rivers, Jr., of Newark, New Jersey, is the first reported Seventh-day Adventist to die in military service in Iraq.

Rivers, 23, enlisted following graduation from high school in 1999. He died April 14 after collapsing during physical training exercises in Iraq, according to a report in the Washington Post on April 17. Army officials said the cause of his death is being investigated.

Active in the Trinity Temple Adventist Church in New Jersey, Rivers spent "every Saturday there when he was home," the Post article said. His grandmother, Betty Rivers of Newark, described him as "a church boy," always available to help his friends. He was sent to Iraq in November.

Funeral services were held at the church on Friday, April 23. During the services Rivers, was posthumously awarded a Bronze Star.

"Specialist Frank Rivers Jr. is an American hero," said Major General William H. Russ as reported in Newsday. "Today, we will present this star to the hero's hero. You all recognize that Frank Jr.'s hero is Frank Sr."

Rivers joined the army to follow in his father's footsteps, according to Newsday. He was based at Fort Lewis, Washington, and had spent several years on the West Coast since enlisting.

Frank's brother Lamar is currently serving in the U.S. military in Germany.

Senate looks back on a year well spent

JESSE LANDESS
SA EXECUTIVE VP

On Wednesday April, 21, 2004, 19 senators dressed in blue celebrated a year well done.

You may have seen them on the Promenade this year making you a pancake breakfast. Perhaps you were the recipient of a friendly smile and a donut or a granola bar one morning on your way to class, or maybe you recently participated in the 500+ Easter egg hunt on the Promenade while munching on Panera bagels. This group of individuals (your senators) have accomplished more than learning how to make pancakes and serve donuts. They've been working hard for you. They heard the need for better equipment in the girls' exercise room and



Photo Contributed

Bill Wohler, KR Davis and the 2003-2004 Senators.

responded by purchasing a bike and stair stepper (ladies, you'll have punching bags by this fall). Talge hall senators realized the men's dorm was in need of an upright bike that Senate wound up purchasing for them. For the sake of both village and dorm students, Senate proposed that 13 display monitors be purchased in order for every building to be equipped with

updated information on the upcoming events of Southern (headed by Henry Hicks). A few other projects included the awning for first floor Brock, new wireless equipment for Audio Visual (that benefited SonRise), and a proposal that will potentially be integrated into the '04-'05 parking rules and regulations handbook. Your senators have put a lot of time and energy into everything they've done.

I've had the privilege of working with the senators throughout this past year and I want to let them know how much I appreciate them (thanks so much to each of you!). We've learned

together that change doesn't occur overnight. If you want to see something happen, do something about it and keep working at it until you see results. These senators have learned the valuable lesson of never giving up and working towards what they want to see accomplished.

As your Executive Vice-President, I want to thank you (the student body) for giving me the opportunity to serve you this past year. It has been a huge blessing and growing experience in my life.

Whether you're graduating and tackling the big, wide world, going away as a student missionary or task force worker next year or returning to Southern for the rest of your education, please always remember the real purpose of your life. We're not here on this earth to have others serve us, but rather to serve others as Jesus has done for us. May God bless you all wherever He may lead.

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Poll results in for Strawberry Festival

DON CANTRELL
NEWS EDITOR

Two separate polls of students who attended last weekend's Strawberry Festival have been conducted and both indicate a majority of students approved of the show.

The first poll is available on the SA's website. Thus far, forty-five percent rated it as "the best ever." The remaining 55 percent called it "pretty good," said Festival producer Will Haynal.

However, not all students attended the Sunday night Festival. In 123 responses to a written survey passed out in many speech classes, 37 percent of students surveyed said they skipped the show.

Of those who attended, 82 percent said the multimedia show



Photo by Melita Pujic

Strawberries adorn this year's "Southern Memories."

was either "better than expected" or "awesome."

Another 17 percent said the show was "OK," with 1 percent claiming the show was "awful." Festival's online survey revealed strong support, 86 percent, for live music. On the written survey,

44 percent of responders criticized at least some aspect of the live performances.

The online poll is still available for those who wish to opine, along with pictures and videos from the Festival at <http://sa-festival-public.southern.edu>

Seniors frustrated in their attempts to graduate

SETH BENCHARD
STAFF WRITER

Easter Sunday, just a few weeks before he was expecting to graduate, Brian Young, a senior film major, answered a call from the Records office alerting him that he was still short upper division credits.

"I asked her where those popped out of," said Young, who had been confident, following a meeting with Sharona Rogers, assistant director of advisement, that all requirements would be met by his current class load.

Young agreed to an emergency meeting and brought his camera along. "I explained to her that I was making a documentary for the purpose of aiding me in explaining to my parents why I

can't graduate."

Scott Fogg, another senior film major, only learned that he wasn't graduating when he turned in his gown request. "They asked me why I bothered, seeing as how I had nearly a semester of work left to do," Fogg couldn't believe the administration waited until April to let him know.

Though there aren't a lot of other seniors in the same boat, it's far from empty; a fact that has Joni Zier, director of records and advisement, concerned. "More students are advising themselves instead of seeing their advisor," said Zier in reference to the new online registration procedure.

According to Records and Advisement, roughly 20 percent of seniors have trouble with graduation requirements each year.

This year, after implementing a self-serve registration, Records watched that number jump to 23 percent.

This 3 percent could be interpreted as a direct result of the self-serve system, but what of the chronic 20 percent average that predates Datatel, the university's new database system? Some seniors point to ineffective advisers.

"I was upset that the same person who was given a review of my academic status and my final semester plans, was now telling me that my graduation wouldn't happen unless it was passed by the academic board," said Michael Hafner, a computer science major. Hafner's adviser

admitted he was inexperienced with advising and often referred him to others.

Gina Thurber, a senior health science and religious studies major, found herself having to decide which degree she wanted to keep. Thurber misunderstood a green light on graduation requirements to mean her double degree was on track. She and her advisers had overlooked the second degree's hour requirements and had enrolled her for only eight hours when she could have taken a full load and possibly received both degrees.

"I was naturally a little surprised," said Thurber. "I changed advisers several times, so none of them really stuck with me to help me out with hours.

Basically I advised myself after my sophomore year."

"I believe the advisers are competent," said Zier, coming to the defense of the faculty. "Most departments and schools go over their requirements in pre-session with the new faculty." In addition, all new staff train one-on-one with Rogers on how to advise.

According to records, the average freshman changes majors three times. To anticipate, organize and respond to such a flurry of requirement changes, Records allows unrestricted access to advisers. "Our doors, phone lines, and e-mail are always open for questions from both faculty and students," said Zier.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT LIFESTYLES

A man of many languages

OWAN BOURNE
STAFF WRITER

Bonjour, Privet, Buenos Dias, God dag, guten taj. Confused? You should be, but for Dr. William Van Grit these are a few of the many languages in which he knows how to say "hello."

Born in 1937, Van Grit grew up in Apeldoorn, Holland during World War II.

Besides his native Dutch, he began learning French in the fourth grade. Two years later, he picked-up German. At the end of elementary school, Van Grit had already mastered three new languages, French, German and English. Van Grit's linguistic training didn't stop there. In high school, Van Grit began studying Latin, Greek and Russian during his seven years of high school. At the end of high school, Van Grit had already learned six languages.

After moving to the United States in 1958, he studied at Atlantic Union College, in

South Lancaster, Mass., where he majored in French and Greek and minored in history and biblical languages. In 1961 he began teaching at the University of Connecticut, while pursuing his doctorate degree in both French and Italian.

"I was curious about the world, I just wanted to learn more," he said.

In the summer of 1963, while studying and teaching at the university, Van Grit traveled to Guanajuato, Mexico in a quest to learn Spanish. By the end of summer, he was able to speak it fluently. After completing his doctorate, Van Grit returned to AUC where he met his wife Sarah.

During the late 1960s through the 1990s Van Grit taught at Pacific Union College, Darmstadt, Germany and finally accepted a call to Southern in 2001 where he currently teaches French, Italian and Spanish.

Despite all of his hard work, Van Grit still finds time

to help his wife around the house with the dishes and cleaning. He also likes traveling, walking, photography and skiing. His wife noted that on one occasion while trying to show her how to ski, he fell into a pond at AUC and (broke his glasses).

One of Van Grit's colleagues in the modern languages department, Dr. Carlos Parra, admires Van Grit's achievements and thinks students can benefit from his vast experience. "It's a great advantage for students to have someone [a teacher] like that, or take a class from," Parra said.

Van Grit enjoys learning and teaching languages. He wants to someday study Chinese and does not regret dedicating most of his life to studying and then teaching languages. He said, "I have no regrets about studying all of those [languages] because it has enriched my life."

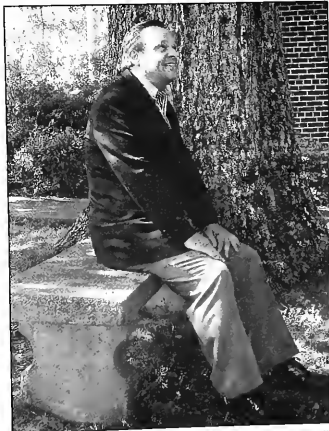


Photo by Melina Pajce

Dr. William Van Grit sits under an Oak tree on campus.

Jazz Ensemble rings in spring

NOAH BOATWRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

If your particular school or department isn't having a party Saturday night or if the party they are having isn't interesting, come down and immerse yourself in some jazz music by Southern's Jazz Ensemble.

The Southern Jazz Ensemble spring concert is Saturday night, May 1, at 8:30

p.m. in the Collegedale Academy Auditorium.

With director Ken Parsons, the ensemble will be playing a spectrum of music from jazz to fusion, as well as funk tunes stretching from the 1920s to the 1980s. The ensemble will cover artists like Benny Goodman, Duke Ellington, Miles Davis, Chick Corea and The Rippingtons.

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THE SOUTHERN ACCENT

OPINION

Thumbs-up Thumbs-down

By Justin Kobylka



T h e b i g g e s t thumbs up of the year goes to K.R. Davis.

Through thick or thin, K.R. is always plugging away behind the scenes. He almost never gets the spotlight, but he usually deserves it the most. K.R., we love you and we truly appreciate everything you do to make this campus a better place.



I would like to give a "thumbs-up" to this year's Memories. The use of Jaker pictures made the yearbook look more consistent and professional than past years. Great job yearbook staff!

Damaris Vega

Memories editor responds

Dear Editor,
While we have determined that word, database and human errors caused inaccuracies in the yearbook, please realize that as student editor my staff and I spent countless hours doing the best we could to create a quality, error-free book, and we apologize deeply for any errors found.

Less than 450 out of more than 4800 undergraduate students arrived for professional photography. Because such a small number of students showed up for the professional photographer, we decided it would be best to create the pages entirely out of the much larger pool of Jaker pictures both for consistency and so that a greater number of students could be included in the book.

As for the inability to provide a refund, there isn't a refund if a student isn't satisfied with a particular class, lecture or activity. Just as refunds are not given when students choose not to attend S.A. events for lack of interest, so also students do not receive refunds for publications in which they are uninterested or dissatisfied with. Those who are dissatisfied are encouraged to join the staff of next year's S.A. or Memories yearbook and do what they think they can to improve future S.A. processes and/or publications.

Julie Hoover, editor 2004 Southern Memories

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,
I was excited about going to my first Strawberry Festival. I was told that it was a look back at the previous school year. So naturally I assumed that it would be a look at where God has led the school over the last two semesters. I could not have been more wrong. Sure, the skits were funny, the short films were pretty good, and the pictures of all the people who help make Southern a great place were nice to see. As the music got louder and wilder I wondered how much worse it would get. The crowning moment of my disgust and shock took place near the end when, what appeared to be a lady's bra was hurled to the front of the stage. The evening was filled with the elements that surrounded every Megadeth and Metallica concert I attended BEFORE I became a Christian.

It seems so hypocritical that

we would follow-up such an uplifting event as SonRise with the travesty that I witnessed Sunday night.

Please let me say that I am not so naive as to believe that everyone at Southern is a converted God-fearing Christian.

I am not as upset with the students who performed at the festival as I am with the people who organized it and the members of the administration and faculty that gave their stamp of approval for it to take place. I am not writing this article just to vent my feelings; I want to see a change. I have talked with students over the past couple of days and many of you have told me that you do not attend the annual festival because of the very things I have mentioned earlier. If you look in the school's handbook, visit the website or a number of other places around campus you will see SAU's mission statement and values listed. One of the

core values listed is "A Christ-centered Campus." Christ was not at the center or within ten blocks of the Strawberry Festival. Those of you who read this and feel the same way I do must make your voices heard. Nothing will be done unless there are enough of us willing to voice our concerns.

If you want the events that Southern sponsors with your tuition dollars to be events that bring us closer together as a community of believers for the glory of God, then please e-mail me and say so. We must be willing to stand up for what is right even if it means being labeled as old-fashioned or whatever. I encourage you to e-mail me at the following address if you want to join me in standing up for Christ: reformtheberry@hotmail.com

Sincerely,
Darryl Bentley
Freshman, Theology major

and were told nothing could be done, because the money had already been used for our SA fees.

My boyfriend and I went to up to the cafeteria earlier this year to have our pictures taken but we were sent an e-mail saying that the roll of film they used to take our pictures was ruined and that they needed to take our pictures again. I assumed that everything with that second set of pictures went well and that I would have a wonderful yearbook-full of smiling faces to show to friends back home.

I have observed that the majority of the pictures in the yearbook are our Jaker pictures. This is completely unacceptable for a University

because we have paid large amounts of money to attend Southern, and we deserve to have a yearbook with professional photos in it. Those of us who spent the time to go and take specific yearbook pictures deserve to have those pictures in our yearbook.

I believe that Southern owes it to us as a student body to compensate us somehow for this mishap. At this point I would like every Southern student to crowd into Wright Hall, and announce how dissatisfied we all are with this yearbook.

Sincerely,
Meghan Harebottle
Freshman, Social Science major

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It's over!

ANDREW BERNHUEZ

Graves College

It is the end; and yet it's a time for beginnings. It's a time for joy; it's a time for melancholy.

There is a lot of joy around as school year 2003-2004 speeds to its close. Perhaps the most obvious joy - summer vacation! Maybe you are working over the summer. Whether you'll be working at a summer camp, as a corporeur or at a business somewhere, chances are you'll either enjoy the work or enjoy the positive cash flows it's likely to create. Maybe some of you will idly sunbathe beside a swimming pool all summer. I think anyone can figure out what the joy is in that. Some are graduating, and there's a lot of joy involved in that: finally completing what they have spent the last few years doing. Maybe you're not graduating, but unless you failed some classes this semester, you'll at least be taking different stuff next year, and most of us can probably find a class that we'll be glad to never see again.

As much joy and excitement as there is in these last few days of school, some are also going through less pleasant thoughts. If you ended up failing that hardest class, having to take it again next year is not a happy thought. We'll all have to say good-bye to friends, who for one reason or another, won't be here next year, as well as to those we love who we may be far from over the summer. Maybe some of the things you expected to accomplish this year have gone sadly undone - passing a class, growing spiritually or getting closer to a particular friend or acquaintance. Considering the unknown world that waits for you after graduating can be a scary thing. Just seeing several finals coming up next week is enough to scare some folks!

Although it's hard to find time, the end of the year is a good time to stop and think about such things. If you're feeling more on the melancholy side, consider how you can make things better; and keep from repeating mistakes you've made. Most importantly, give all your thoughts and feelings - everything that is important to you - to the Lord. If something is weighing on you, let go and let Him take care of it. If you're absolutely ecstatic, thank Him for His boundless blessings. And either way, go enjoy your summer!

Thanks for a rewarding school year

NOAH BOATWRIGHT
Editor

As the new SA officers gather their cabinets and staff for the coming school year, it brings me back in my mind to when I was the newly appointed editor of the *Accent*. I remember not knowing the first thing to do.

So I asked a lot of questions and made some mistakes but the most important thing I did was to enlist the help of a group of fellow students who have since become a dedicated and hardworking team whom I've relied on nearly every week for 25 weeks.

I want to thank my team for all their hard work this year, for the goals we've attained

and the journalistic quality they've brought to the *Accent* this year.

The *Accent* owes much to its advisor this year, Stephen Ruf. Mr. Ruf has held the *Accent* to a standard of journalism that has exceeded past years.

I'm also grateful to you, the reader, for sending in your comments critiques and support.

I wish next years SA and media team God's blessing and the best of success. I know how many of them feel as they prepare to serve the student body next year. But I want to encourage by saying that serving your fellow students is ultimately rewarding.

Have a great summer and good luck to everyone next

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the campus Chatter

Week of: April 29 - May 9

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CALENDAR

THURSDAY, APRIL 29

11:00 a.m. Convocation - Clubs/Departments/Schools (Various Locations)
Communication Club/School of Journalism (1st Floor Brock)
Pre-Med Club (Hickman 114)
ACEI (Summerour 106)
Psi Chi (Summerour 212)
Computer Club (Daniell's Amphitheater)
English Department (3rd Floor Brock)
Math Club (Hickman 308)
11:00 a.m. General Recital (Ackerman, Convocation Credit)
6:00 p.m. Pre-Dental Club Convocation (White Oak Room)
6:30 p.m. Employee Retirement Party (Church Fellowship Hall)
6:30 p.m. Physics Seminar (Hickman, Room 113)
7:30 p.m. Bel Canto Spring Concert (Ackerman, Convocation Credit)
Last day to finalize paperwork for proctoring of final exam(s), Center for Learning Success
Birthdays: Nicole Dickerson, Tyler Dubs, Frankie Farkash, Kessia Lawson, Maria Lopez, Angela Martin, Jenni Sagardra, Karl Smith

FRIDAY, APRIL 30

7:30 p.m. Senior Religion Consecration & Commissioning - Mike Ryan (Thatcher)
8:00 p.m. Vespers - Destiny Drama (Church)
8:25 p.m. Sunset
Reflection Café (After Vespers)
Payday
Birthdays: Odessa Davis, Michelle Marsonic, Karlo Rufo, Stephanie Troyer, Marc Grundy

SATURDAY, MAY 1

9:00 a.m. Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
9:30 a.m. Senior Religion Consecration & Commissioning - Mike Ryan (Thatcher)
9:45 a.m. "Student Center Sabbath School" (Student Center)
10:00 a.m. The Third - Mike Fulbright (Iles)
10:00 a.m. "Another Sabbath School" (Thatcher South Activity Room)
10:00 a.m. School of Journalism Church (Red Clay State Park)
11:00 a.m. Senior Religion Consecration & Commissioning - Mike Ryan (Thatcher)
11:30 a.m. Collegedale Church Service - Ed Wright
8:00 p.m. Evensong (Church)
Various Club & Department Parties (Various Locations)
Birthdays: Jamie Delong, Rebecca Johnson, Ryan Whary, Gordon Hietz, Richard Erickson, Joong-Kak Kook

SUNDAY, MAY 2

7:30 p.m. Senior Recital: Michelle Fournier, piano (Ackerman, Convocation Credit)
Semester Exams
Birthdays: Caleb Clayville, Erin Duman, Jerry Wasmer, Pam Ashfield, Pat Coverdale, Ray Hefferlin

MONDAY, MAY 3

9a-5:00 p.m. Book Buy Back (Campus Shop)
10a-3:00 p.m. Cookies on the Promenade (Outside Student Center)
5-6:00 p.m. Master's Business Administration 1st Summer Session Registration
7:30 p.m. Recital: David Williams, organ (Church, Convocation Credit)
Semester Exams
Registration for 1st Summer Session (3-7)
Birthdays: Grant Buckley, Becky Dierms, Cindy Espinoza, Phillip Krause, Joe Lacom, Emily Moore, Kristi Moore, Harin Pena, Shellie Pires, Denny Sanchezcasilla, Ray Artigas, Irma Perez

TUESDAY, MAY 4

9a-5:00 p.m. Book Buy Back (Campus Shop)
6:00 p.m. Tornado Siren Test
7:30 p.m. Senior Recital: Sara Schone, bassoon (Ackerman, Convocation Credit)
Semester Exams
Last day to make up Fall 03 incompletes
Birthdays: Renee Baker, Mark Thomas, Richard Haltermann

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5

9a-5:00 p.m. Book Buy Back (Campus Shop)
Semester Exams
Birthdays: Fredia Craig, Nathalie Mazo, Kavashi Mose

THURSDAY, MAY 6

9a-5:00 p.m. Book Buy Back (Campus Shop)
National Day of Prayer
National Nurses Day
Birthdays: Dean Scott

FRIDAY, MAY 7

9:00 a.m. Graduation Practice (Iles)
2:00 p.m. Semester Grades Due, Verified (Records Office)
8:00 p.m. Senior Consecration (Iles)
8:31 p.m. Sunset
Birthdays: David Clements, Michael Howell, Erin Hunter, Doru Mihnescu, Exy Polache, Marko Pujic, Jacqui Seeley, Joey Tolbert, Astrid Van-Walter

SATURDAY, MAY 8

9:00 a.m. Collegedale Church Service
9:45 a.m. Sabbath School (Iles)
10:00 a.m. The Third (Ackerman)
11:30 a.m. Collegedale Church Service
11:30 a.m. Baccalaureate (Iles)
4:00 p.m. School of Education/Psychology Dedication (Church)
7:00 p.m. School of Nursing Dedication (Church)
Birthdays: Jorge Castillo, Megan Freeman, Collin Petty, Damon Rampton, Jon Wagner, Aaron Weber, Amy Bradley

SUNDAY, MAY 9

9:30 a.m. Commencement (Iles)
Mother's Day
McKee Library Closed
Birthdays: Eric Baerg, John Kloosterhuis, Nathan Leiske, Nicholas Parr, Nicki Parro, Robert Wearner, Charmelle Won, Nora Kile

General Announcements

ALL books and library materials are due on Monday, May 3.

Southern Adventist University Jazz Ensemble performs May 1. The Jazz Ensemble of Southern Adventist University with conductor Ken Parsons will perform a concert highlighting jazz favorites from the 1930s to the 1980s. The concert will be held Saturday, May 1, at 8:45 p.m. The program includes music from jazz artists such as Benny Goodman, Duke Ellington, Miles Davis, Chick Corea and others. (Free Admission) Where: Collegedale Academy Auditorium 4B55 College Drive East

Yard sale: This Sunday, May 2, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., the residents of Southern Village will be having a yard sale to help them lighten their load before they have to travel home for the summer months. Come to the Southern Village lawn and find deals on treasure you've always wanted or things you never knew you needed.

Clubs & Departments

The Computer Club convocation will feature a presentation by Dr. Valery Tamashvich, a guest computer scientist from Russia. The presentation will be in Daniels Hall 220 on Thursday, April 29, at 11:00 a.m. Come to receive convocation credit, refreshments and Computer Club announcements.

Campus Ministries

Bob the Tomato and Larry the Cucumber will be making their last appearance at the SAU campus on Friday, April 30. Come join them after vespers in the dining hall for Reflections Café. Be prepared for a time of fun, friends and snacks. Brought to you by Student Wellness and the Chaplain's office.

R. Bryan Stitzer

Your Friendly Neighborhood Humor Editor
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GOOD BYEBecky Whetmore
Assistant Deputy Director Humor Editor
whetmore@southern.edu**Top ten tips to get you through finals**R. BRYAN STITZER
Humor Editor

10. Suspend all conversations with the opposite sex (yes, even if you think you're meeting to study)

9. Get lots of sleep the week before (many people would say the night before, but we all know that ain't happening)

8. Bring your teacher an apple. Or if your grade is in real trouble a candy apple red Porsche.

7. Take short study breaks. (If you are unsure of how to do this, think of the rest of the year, take all the time you weren't studying well in this scenario, you study the amount of time you did everything else and you do everything else in the time you studied.)

6. Hire a tutor

5. Hire a hit man

4. Eat lots of brain food

Note: To *Any Lectures out there, that is not real brains.*

3. Show up

2. If it's multiple choice always guess C

1. And the number one tip to ace your finals is:

1. Spend your semester studiously reading assignments, taking notes, discussing the subject matter with your instructor and classmates, and ... oh wait I guess it is a little late for that um...scratching all that...ah...well...perhaps Cliff's Notes?

Two existentialists walk into a barROBERT JACOBSON
STAFF WRITER

Last night I was going to throw away this gross cake that's been sitting on my counter for like two weeks. But instead I smashed my hands into it, grabbed a gob and fed like half of it to this random dog that was walking around outside. Apparently this is how you make friends. I would have fed the whole thing to him, but an angel descended from the heavens to intervene on the dog's behalf. Quixotically, the dog was nonplussed. I kinda liked the angel.

I tell you that to tell you this: That dog was not shy. (If you are the owner of an uninhabited, sick dog, I live in apartment A and drive a white Blazer.) That dog knew what he wanted and begged shamelessly for it. Not unlike our humor editor.

Of course, this isn't an article about the similarities between my neighbor's dog and Bryan. (After all, I have a word limit.) It's about alienation. Isn't it, Bryan? Because recently I finished a collection of Albert Camus' short stories, "Exile and The Kingdom," and am still digesting what amounts to an entire kingdom which, in my youthful intellectual hubris, I've entirely consumed without considering the consequences. Let us turn our

attention, for an example, toward the silence of "The Silent Men," its dehumanizing principle of retribution that requires the awful, awkward, united resolve among the workmen, and its ultimate effect: alienation. For everyone. Yet Camus naively writes, "...they would have gone away, across the sea," as if that were his messiah (living as youth), as if "The Sun Also Rises" has nothing to teach us!

It just occurred to me that I am probably the only person that finds any of this funny. My point: make a friend. With a dog, with an angel. Find a God to believe in. Life cannot be lived alone.

See ya!R. BRYAN STITZER
Humor Editor

Well we have reached the end. I hope you have all enjoyed my antics...er articles this year. I have greatly enjoyed coming up with them. I shall now fade into obscurity with no fanfare or fireworks. Ahh but such is how it is supposed to be. I look back on the times we've had, scratch and sniff, my massive abuses of power, win a date, ahh what good times. And I lament jokes untold. Such as Kerry's true platform "yeah what ever Bush said I'm for the opposite unless what he said was good then he lied and I would do it for real." Ahh, so much left unsaid and undone. But it has been a blast. So on behalf of Jon Palmer, The Dude, Brian Broflovski, Ace O. Base, Brian Stitzer, the count, and all the rest of the Humor staff this is R. Bryan Stitzer your friendly neighborhood humor editor signing off.

everyday life (just throw it in the Humor Page!), the usual itamomifon gained during clooge.

However, I think the most useful piece of knowledge I have accumulated in college involves the visual and mental process of reading. Sometime or another, I discovered that the human vision array is just as fazy as the rest of the body - typically only joining the first and last letters of a word to be in the correct order in order to be read. Apparently, as long as the eye sees all of the letters in a word, it does not matter in which order they appear.

Personally, I don't really believe this feated. Surely the brain is more empoctnet than that! Nevertheless, I have to wonder just how many of you noticed the differences in this article... I met my case.

INSIGHTFUL INSIGHTS

By guest contributor Juanita Phalanges

If only hearts could heal like beta fins... (la sigh)

Kerry overR. BRYAN STITZER
PROFESSIONAL POLITICAL ANALYST

I decided, "why have regrets?" So I am writing the article I lamented over not writing in my farewell address. I hope November that we can all agree not to vote Kerry. I for the record am not a Republican nor am I a Democrat. I am a swing voter. And for the record that is nothing like a swing dancer, because I for the record have no rhythm what so ever. Anyway, since I trust that you are all more politically savvy than to just take the word of a humor columnist on this, one of the most important decisions we as Americans have to make, I will give some reasons why I believe you should decide to vote Bush, Nader or Duffy Duck, just so long as it's Kerry.

The isn't platform as I mentioned in my farewell address is simply "I think I am better than Bush." I picture interviews with Kerry going something like this:

Interviewer: Mr. Kerry what is your belief on this given subject?

Kerry: What does Bush say?

Interviewer: Bush says it is good.

Kerry: I am solid against it.

Interviewer: What do you say about this given subject?

Kerry: What does Bush say?

Interviewer: He says it is bad.

Kerry: (inner monologue: Humm... I could come off as unsympathetic if I go on the record saying murder is good...I know!)

Bush is a liar. He has always been for given subject. And I am against it.

And if this were not enough reason to not vote Kerry then let

me tell you a short anecdote that happened not to long ago. Once upon a time in a land that we all live in, a man named Kerry was running for the nomination of the Democratic Party. He won lots of states against men who stood for ideas and ideals but Kerry knew one thing that those men forgot. Do you know what that thing was, boys and girls? That's right. Ideas and ideals don't win elections. Partisanship wins elections. Well Kerry was very partisan. He said he hated the Republican president. He called him a moron. He said he didn't speak well. He said that he didn't have a plan. He said lots of mean things. But this is American and everyone has the right to say mean things if they want so no one bothered him about it. But then one day President Bush said to some people on the Internet, Mr. Kerry says he believes in this particular issue but he voted against it many times as a senator. Why do you think that is? Well, that made Mr. Kerry very mad. He called the president a mud slinger. But now boys and girls we come to the point of our little story. Mr. Kerry has a very limited vocabulary or so it would seem he doesn't know what the words he says mean. Because what Mr. Bush was doing was talking about issues. And what Mr. Kerry's whole campaign was built on was mud slinging. So boys and girls, the moral of our story is vote for a man with ideas and ideals, not a man whose only idea is that he doesn't like another man's ideas... Or be a typical American and don't vote you know that's cool too.

End of the yearBECKY WHETMORE
Deputy Director Humor Editor

Anybody else ready to be done? I sure and "No more pencils, no more books, no more teachers' dirty" - oh wait, it's just a summer break. Then I'll be back here once again for another year (or two or three...) of the grinding student lifestyle.

Oops, I forgot. I'm supposed to be enjoying my ecudinatel experience. And I actually am, for the most part. Even if I haven't, I've diligently learned a great deal over the last few years: how to sleep during class and not get caught; how to procrastinate on major assignments, start and finish them the night before they're due, and still pull a great grade on 'em; how to apply the literary kolygdene gained through adaeimica to normal,

DUMB DUCKS

by Justin Janetkzo

DUDE! THIS NEW YEARBOOK BRINGS BACK SOME MEMORIES...



THE SPORTS, THE GIRLS, THE PARTIES, THE GIRLS, GOOD TIMES RELAXING, INAPPROPRIATE VESTERS ATTIRE, THE GIRLS, THE FRIENDS, THE SA EVENS, THE GIRLS...



NON-ACADEMICALLY SPEAKING, THIS HAS BEEN A GREAT SCHOOL YEAR!



YEAH I DON'T THINK I PASSED ANY OF MY CLASSES.

